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# Rejection of teachers' deal baffles minister

**Education.** Province's 2 biggest school boards have rejected the deal



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Alberta's Education Minister Jeff Johnson said he can't understand why Alberta's two largest school boards are rejecting a proposed settlement with the province's teachers.

The Calgary Board of Education turned down the deal Wednesday, adding to Edmonton Public Schools' rejection on Tuesday.

"We are concerned that the proposed agreement concentrates much of the decision-making for student learning in the teachers' union," said Calgary board chair Pat Cochrane

### Quoted

**"The financial pieces we have been able to negotiate are better than what was proposed a month ago ..."** Education Minister Jeff Johnson

in a prepared statement.

Edmonton Public School board chair Sarah Hoffman said Tuesday there will be costs to this deal the board can't afford.

"With the proposed budget and with the proposed contract we are facing there is no way that we can continue to offer the same level of service without it impacting students," she said.

Johnson said he doesn't understand the school board's concerns.

"The financial pieces we

have been able to negotiate are better than what was proposed a month ago and certainly better than what they could negotiate on their own."

The Alberta School Boards' Association was not at the table when this contract was negotiated, but Johnson said the talks were focused on provincial issues.

"There were a couple of barriers to getting that deal with the ATA and they were items that only the province could deliver," he said.

Johnson mused about a legislated contract before this deal was reached last week, but he said it is too early to decide what the province will do if more boards reject the deal.

"We have always said legislation would be a last resort, so like I said these are early days right now and we will know a lot more in about a week."



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San Jose Sharks defenceman Dan Boyle checks Edmonton Oilers forward Taylor Hall during first-period action in Edmonton on Wednesday. The Oilers lost 4-3 in a shootout. For coverage, see page 46.

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Protest

## Pharmacists uniting against budget cutbacks

Some pharmacies in Edmonton and St. Albert will be shutting their doors on Thursday morning so pharmacists can attend a rally at the legislature to protest budget cuts that they say will cause drug shortages and affect patient care.

Organizers say hundreds of pharmacists and pharmacy students from across Alberta, along with concerned citizens, are expected to attend Thursday's march to the legislature.

"The March 7 Alberta budget is going to drastically affect patient care that pharmacies and pharmacists can offer their patients starting May 1," said Aileen Jang, a protest organizer.

Jang said Thursday's event marks the first time Alberta pharmacists have publicly united to influence the government.

"This is something that pharmacy has never done before, but this issue right now is so important to all of us as a profession."

Jang said pharmacists are upset the government did not consult with them before the budget was released.

As a result of budget cuts, pharmacies will have to axe staff, said Jang, noting she will try to keep her 20 full- and part-time employees as long as she can.

"Patient care is going to suffer because a lot of stores are going to be trimming their staff to save money," she said.

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An artist's rendering shows the proposed LRT route through the Strathearn neighbourhood. Residents are concerned about land they will lose from their properties to make way for the new line. CONTRIBUTED/CITY OF EDMONTON

# Expropriation moves ahead for LRT project

## Southeast line. Landowners upset with city process



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Landowners in the path of the southeast LRT could now face expropriation of their properties after city council gave the green light Wednesday.

The city needs land or slices of properties to allow for the new line, which received a \$250-million boost from the federal government

last week.

Wayne Brown, who will lose a triangle out of a corner his property, had asked councillors earlier this month to hold off.

He said he has been very frustrated with the city's process because the information has been slow to come.

"Give us the information, good and bad, and we can make a decision," he said.

The line will require a triangle to be cut out of Brown's property, six metres deep and 8.5 metres across. Brown said he understands the line has to go through, but the expropriation is going to give the city all the power in

### Staying on track

- The city estimated it would cost \$1 million to \$2 million to change the route in the way Brown had been hoping for.
- The proposed LRT line runs from Mill Woods Town Centre to Churchill Square.

said he understands the concerns of the people who are going to lose part or all of their properties.

"We have to continue to build the city and I appreciate all their concerns and I know I would be frustrated if it was my land."

Mandel said as the city's LRT lines move from planning to construction, this is going to be an ongoing problem.

"Expropriations and challenges with people are always going to be an issue and we hope we can rectify them in an amiable way, but you are not always able to do that."

coming negotiations.

"They still have their finger on the trigger, anytime things go wrong or not to their satisfaction," he said.

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# Police get \$1-million budget boost for prisoner transfer

**Law enforcement.** EPS must now transport nearly 1,400 prisoners to new remand centre



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The Edmonton Police Service got \$1 million in extra funding on Wednesday to help deal with the cost of transporting prisoners to the new remand centre.

After turning down the request at budget time, city councillors reversed their decision and allocated \$1 million from last year's surplus to help the police with the additional costs of the transfers.

Mayor Stephen Mandel said there is no way of getting around the reality of the situation.

"We have to transfer our prisoners from our facility downtown out to the remand centre, and that is going to cost us," he said.

Mandel had hoped the province would pitch in with some funding but he said

**We're in the money**

## \$18.6M

Edmonton posted an \$18.6-million surplus for 2012, most of which is being moved into the city's reserves.

after getting more information it is clear it is the city's responsibility.

Edmonton Police Chief Rod Knecht was thrilled at the news.

"The approval of \$1 million meets our immediate prisoner-transportation needs to the new remand centre," he said in a statement.

Knecht said he had drafted a plan for this year that involved nine officers transporting prisoners from the police's downtown headquarters to the new remand centre in the city's northwest.

He said in the long term he hopes eventually to outsource the transfer of prisoners so that front-line officers aren't doing the work.

"We continue to have discussions to contract prisoner transportation with the Alberta Sheriffs as one of those options."



The new remand centre, which had its official opening on Wednesday, will require Edmonton police to transfer prisoners much farther than before. The old jail and Edmonton police headquarters are linked underground. METRO FILE

## Teens who killed Ethan Yellowbird apologize

Lawyers for three teenagers who shot at a house at the Samson Cree First Nation, killing a five-year-old boy asleep in his bed, argue their clients' tragic childhoods in a desolate community should be considered before punishment is handed out.

They told a sentencing hearing on Wednesday that violence was a way of life on the reserve south of Edmonton.

Crown prosecutor Trent Wilson acknowledged how the

oldest youth in the case has talked about feeling compelled to join a gang because violence was everywhere. But he said their sad childhood stories are no excuse for killing little Ethan Yellowbird.

"Not everybody who has a troubled background becomes a thug," he said. "These guys had choices."

On Wednesday, for the first time in court, the three teens stood up and spoke. They each repeated the same word:

### Recommended sentence

- The Crown asked that all three serve the maximum youth sentence for manslaughter: two years in custody followed by one year of supervision.

"Sorry."

"I'd like to apologize to the family we've hurt," said one of the teens, nodding toward

Ethan's relatives sitting in the court. "I'd like to say sorry to you guys. Truly, I'm sorry."

Ethan's mother, Ashley Yellowbird, said outside court she was surprised by the apologies but doesn't necessarily believe them. "They're the only ones who know if they're really sincere or not."

Provincial court Judge Geoff Ho said he needs time to consider the difficult case and will be ready to sentence the teens on May 10. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Five-year-old Ethan Yellowbird was fatally shot in this house on the Samson Cree First Nation on July 11, 2011. Three teens are awaiting sentencing after pleading guilty to manslaughter. IAN JACKSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

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Homicide Section Staff Sgt. Bill Clark holds posters seeking Hassan Isse Ismail, who is wanted for second-degree murder in connection to the 2012 homicide of Aden Ahmed. ANNALISE KLINGBEIL/METRO

# Police seek support of city's Somali community to locate murder suspect

**Homicide.** Officers distribute posters in English, Somali



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Six weeks after issuing Canada-wide warrants for a 30-year-old man wanted in connection with a 2012 homicide, Ed-

monton police are distributing posters that have been translated into Somali in an effort to find the suspect.

Hassan Isse Ismail is wanted for second-degree murder in connection to the death of Aden Ahmed, who was stabbed to death on Nov. 19, 2012.

EPS Homicide Section Staff Sgt. Bill Clark said it's rare that police will issue a Canada-wide warrant for an individual's arrest, and even rarer that a sus-

pect is not located quickly.

"Normally these guys are found within days of these warrants being issued," he said Wednesday, standing near the home where the murder took place in the area of 113 Avenue and 94 Street.

Clark said Ismail, who is of Somali descent, could be hiding in Edmonton.

"It's like a gopher. They can go underground, they can hide in different areas of the city

## Quoted

**"They can go underground, they can hide in different areas of the city.... He could be doing that."** Staff Sgt. Bill Clark

and just not come up for air for a while. He could be doing that," he said.

Police officers distributed

the posters, which were printed in both English and Somali, to Edmonton businesses on Wednesday.

Ismail is described as a black male standing six-foot-three and weighing more than 200 pounds. It is believed he may have ties to the Toronto area.

Anyone with information is asked to call EPS at 780-423-4567 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

## Investigation

### Somali community co-operating, police say

The Edmonton Police Service's relationship with the city's Somali community has "vastly improved," according to a senior homicide detective.

"We've just had awesome co-operation," said EPS Homicide Section Staff Sgt. Bill Clark of the Somali-Canadian community's assistance in trying to locate Hassan Isse Ismail who is wanted for second-degree murder in connection to the November 2012 death of Aden Ahmed.

Community leaders helped translate a wanted poster into the Somali language, said Clark, noting it's the first time that has been done in Edmonton.

Clark said community leaders also helped the force last week with the quick arrest of a 16-year-old who was charged with second-degree murder in the March 10 death of 18-year-old Mohamed Jama Salad.

"Even on our last homicide last week, the community leaders were actively involved with us and really assisted us in speaking with people and met with us and the relationship has just vastly improved," he said.

"I can't say enough about the co-operation we're getting."

Clark said the strengthened relationship with the Somali-Canadian community in Edmonton is evident in the arrests the force is making.

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Calgary took the top prize in the large cities category and St. Albert was given the prize of best small city in the country to live.

The magazine said Alberta's strong economy helped cities to climb to the top.

"Calgary's climb to the top of Best Places to Live highlights how well the West did overall in the rankings," said Jonathan Chevreau, MoneySense Editor, in a release.

### Two men charged

## EPS recovers nearly \$1M in stolen equipment, vehicles

Edmonton police have recovered an estimated \$843,000 in heavy equipment and vehicles that were reported stolen between

### Down a little

- Edmonton's ranking among all cities, big or small, was 11th — down from 8th last year.

Edmonton Mayor Stephen Mandel said he is not really focused on outside ranking of Edmonton.

"It is what it is, this is an incredibly great city; we should look on what it is not on what other people are." **METRO**

2009 and 2012. The initial find was four months ago while other pieces, such as skid-steers, heavy-duty trucks, generators and more were discovered in the days, weeks and months after.

Jose Barbosa, 37, and Jason Krawchuck, 21, both face multiple counts of possession of stolen property, with others pending. **METRO**

# Rutherford School wants \$20K for an outdoor classroom

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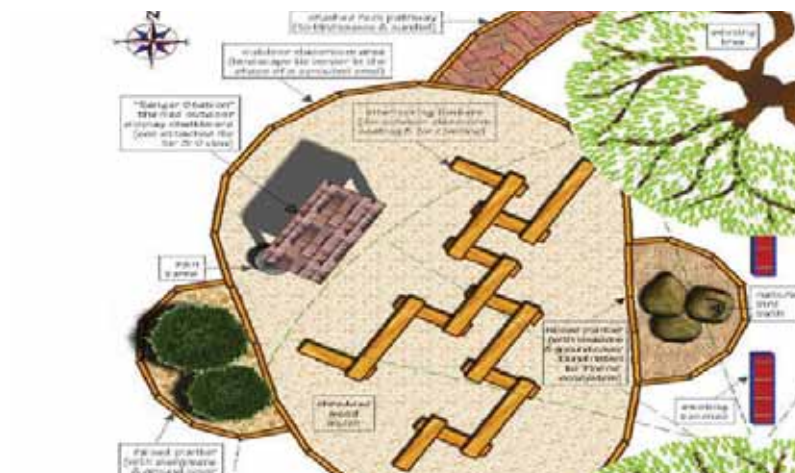
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This conceptual image of the outdoor classroom Rutherford School wants to build shows the interlocking timbers as seating, the ranger station-themed outdoor chalkboard area, and more. CONTRIBUTED BY RUTHERFORD SCHOOL

said principal Mike Morison.

Plans for the ranger station include a chalkboard, rain barrel, map of Alberta and place to pin work.

There will also be a trail that "links to all of the other elements," said Morison.

Voting opened Monday and will wrap up April 26. Anyone six years of age and older can vote once per day.

"The kids are as engaged in the process as the parents and the teachers and the community," said Jim Schedler,

VP of marketing for Majesta. "Because let's face it — what kid wouldn't want to learn in an outdoor classroom?"

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St. Albert Live is a new YouTube channel launched by the city as a way to promote local artists that work and play in the community. SCREEN GRAB

# St. Albert starts YouTube channel

**Launch.** City joins social media outlet to promote local art and culture



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Culture and art can tie into technology, but the City of St. Albert is taking it to a whole other level.

St. Albert Live, a YouTube channel at [youtube.com/stalbertlive](http://youtube.com/stalbertlive), was launched Monday to promote the cultural vibrancy of the city by promoting emerging and established artists. There are a handful of videos already on the channel, all filmed at recognizable locations throughout the community.

"We were looking for a unique way to promote what's going on in arts and culture in the city, in terms of showcasing and highlighting the artists that we have in our community and some of the artists that visit our community," said Kelly Jerrott, the city's director of cultural services. "And this is what we came up with ... using social media and using technology to show what is happening in the community."

One of the "guerilla-style" films on the channel currently is of the St. Albert Children's Theatre.

"I think it's an interesting opportunity for us," said artistic director Janice Flower. "We've even spoken with our department about

### Projected growth

- There are currently four videos on the site including an introduction video and profiles on St. Albert Children's Theatre, St. Albert artist Julie Hage, and Alberta musician Little Miss Higgins.
- The channel will be updated regularly, mostly with city-produced content right now — though submitted work will likely be encouraged in the future.

doing something more detailed about what we do and our process.

"It would be really interesting to have that available to people."

## 'Dexter Killer.' Book on murderer Mark Twitchell now in paperback

It's been almost five years since Edmonton filmmaker and self-professed psychopath Mark Twitchell murdered Johnny Altinger in a case that captivated the city.

The author of a true crime book about the notorious "Dexter Killer" says he is amazed at how the story continues to fascinate and disturb people around the world.

Steve Lillebuen's book, *The Devil's Cinema*, was released in 2012 and a paperback version of the book hit stores across

North America last month.

Lillebuen, a former Edmontonian who now works in Australia, attributes the continued interest in his book and the Twitchell case to a number of factors.

"It really was a crime that came out of suburbia, that in a lot of ways was oddly relatable for anyone following the case," he says.

Lillebuen believes the fact Twitchell was a father, husband and aspiring filmmaker has also drawn people into the

### Still in contact

Author Steve Lillebuen interviewed Twitchell extensively for his book and says he continues to get the occasional letter from the murderer, detailing his life in prison.

case.

"You may think you know someone but anyone could be capable of a murder," he says.

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# 'Just watch me' be PM: Trudeau

**Scribbled reply.** Liberal leadership contender echoes father's words

Forty-two years after it was first uttered, the Trudeau challenge is back.

"Just watch me," Justin Trudeau scribbled in a note on Tuesday night, when a fellow passenger on his flight, Michael Kydd, asked whether the Liberal leadership contender could defeat Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

Trudeau replied by invoking his father's famous phrase during the FLQ crisis of 1970, when a band of Quebec separatists kidnapped a British diplomat and a cabinet minister.

Then-prime minister Pierre Trudeau was asked how far he would go in the suspension of civil liberties during the crisis.

"Well, just watch me," he



The confident reply. CONTRIBUTED/IMGUR.COM; INSET: FRED CHARTRAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS

said at the time.

It turns out Kydd will be "just watching" Trudeau, however. Kydd acknowledged he's a lifelong Conservative.

Harper's communications director, Andrew MacDougall, was having some fun, too, by putting out his own scribbled note on Wednesday. A photo was posted on Twitter with a

question: "Hey Andrew, what do you think about Justin Trudeau's 'just watch me' quote?" The reply: "Fuddle Duddle! Andrew."

("Fuddle duddle" was what Pierre Trudeau claimed he said during a stormy session in the Commons. Others said it was a well-known obscenity.)

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## 'Ugly' politics. Commons speaker forced to break up partisan name-calling

Things certainly got a bit ugly in the House of Commons.

With Opposition accusations flying over the resignation last week of Labrador MP Peter Penashue, Prime Minister Stephen Harper again heaped praise on his former intergovernmental affairs minister.

Harper told the Commons he expected the Conservatives would run a clean campaign in a byelection in which Penashue has pledged to run.

But he also suggested the Liberals were already running a "negative, ugly campaign" against Penashue.

That prompted an exchange with interim Liberal Leader Bob Rae, with the Commons speaker forced to break up the verbal melee.

Rae told the House the Conservatives had only to look in the mirror if they wanted to see ugly.

Penashue resigned his cabinet post and his seat in the Commons last week after Elections Canada found his elec-



The PM continues to back his former intergovernmental affairs minister. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

tion campaign had accepted 28 ineligible donations.

He has since pledged to run in a byelection and is being supported by the prime minister, even though Elections Canada is continuing to investigate.

The opposition parties have accused Harper of acting immorally by allowing Penashue to run in a byelection after being caught "buying" his last election.

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### \$2.4-billion hike

## Nuclear waste spikes deficit

A sudden \$2.4-billion revision to Canada's nuclear liabilities has crept up on Finance Minister Jim Flaherty and substantially deepened the deficit for the current fiscal year.

Atomic Energy of Canada quietly announced Tuesday night that the expected long-term cost for disposing of nuclear waste has risen.

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### B.C. Court of Appeal

## Assisted suicide ban called 'torture'

Forcing patients to suffer agonizing deaths without the power to ask a doctor to end their lives is like "torture," a lawyer told the B.C. Court of Appeal Wednesday. Joseph Arvay said the ban leads patients to end their lives early because they know they won't receive help if they become debilitated later.

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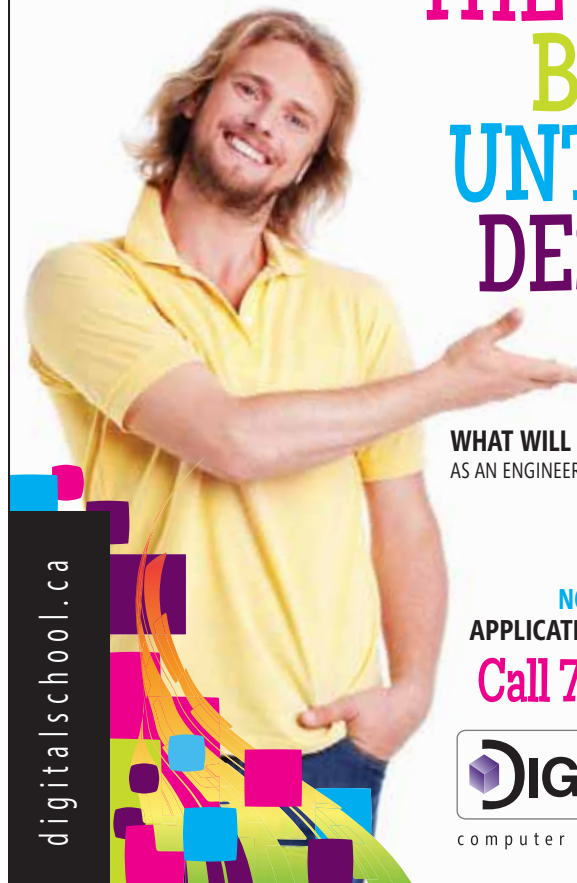
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# Networks crash at S. Korean banks, media companies

**Cyberattack.** North Korea is suspected of being behind the attack that paralyzed ATMs across South Korea

A cyberattack caused computer networks at major South Korean banks and top TV broadcasters to crash simultaneously Wednesday, paralyzing bank machines across the country and prompting speculation of North Korean involvement.

Screens went blank at 2 p.m., the state-run Korea Information Security Agency said, and more than seven hours later some systems were still down.

Police and South Korean officials couldn't immediately determine responsibility and North Korea's state media made no immediate comments on the shutdown. But some experts suspected a



An employee works near a computer with an error message at the Seoul newsroom of all-news cable channel YTN after the South Korean broadcaster's computer network was paralyzed on Wednesday. Computer networks at major South Korean banks and top TV broadcasters crashed en masse. YONHAP/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

cyberattack orchestrated by Pyongyang. The rivals have exchanged threats amid joint U.S.-South Korean military drills and in the wake of UN

sanctions meant to punish North Korea over its nuclear test last month.

The network paralysis took place just days after

North Korea accused South Korea and the U.S. of staging a cyberattack that shut down its websites for two days last week. Loxley Pacific, the Thai-

land-based Internet service provider, confirmed the North Korean outage but did not say what caused it.

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## 2011 massacre

### Norway sets \$19M to fight terror

The Norwegian government has pledged an extra 109 million kroner (\$19.4 million) this year to improve terror preparedness following the July 22, 2011, massacre when a right-wing extremist killed 77 people in a bomb attack and shooting rampage.

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## Potential arms race

### N. Korean bank sanctions sought

A senior Republican lawmaker pushing for tougher U.S. banking sanctions on North Korea says the isolated nation's development of a nuclear weapon could trigger an atomic arms race in East Asia. House Foreign Affairs Committee chairman Ed Royce said Wednesday that South Korea, Japan and Taiwan might seek nuclear weapons if Pyongyang miniaturizes a nuclear warhead it can mount on a missile. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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## Ethan Yellowbird

Boy's teen killers  
say they're sorry

Three teens convicted in the shooting death of a five-year-old Alberta boy have apologized. Each of the youths, who can't be identified, told Ethan Yellowbird's family they were sorry for taking the young boy's life.

The trio came up with a plan to shoot at the house on the Samson Cree reserve in

July 2011, and a bullet went through a wall and struck Ethan in the head as he was sleeping in his bed.

The teens have pleaded guilty to manslaughter.

The Crown has asked that all three serve the maximum youth sentence — two years in custody followed by one year of supervision. Defence lawyers are seeking sentences from as little as six months in open custody to as much as one year behind bars for their clients. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## Teen football players

Girl, 13, taunted in  
sexual assault case

Two members of the Torrington, Conn. High School football team have been charged with sexually assaulting a 13-year-old girl, who has been taunted on social media sites in recent weeks by dozens of classmates upset at the allegations.

The Register Citizen reports the two 18-year-old

football players, Edgar Gonzalez and Joan Toribio, have been charged with felony second-degree sexual assault and other crimes in an investigation that began last month. Both have pleaded not guilty.

Details of the allegations are sealed from public view.

The newspaper reports social media posts by classmates taunting the accuser have included vulgar language and blamed her for ruining the players' lives.

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Phil Lane Jr., of the American Yankton Sioux Nation, says native groups south of the border will stand with their Canadian cousins in their protest of Northern Gateway and Keystone XL pipelines. **ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## 'We're going to stop these pipelines'

**First Nations.** Aboriginal groups say stakes are so high, they'll keep fighting Keystone XL and Northern Gateway

"We're making every effort to respond to the concerns we have heard on the West Coast," he said after a caucus meeting.

"They want to do the best for their communities and we want to do the best for their communities as well. So I remain very hopeful."

Some of the chiefs brushed off the federal government's appointment this week of a special envoy to look at tensions between natives and the energy industry.

Chief Allan Adam of the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation said natives are determined to block the pipelines.

"It's going to be a long, hot summer," he said at a news conference.

Phil Lane Jr. of the American Yankton Sioux said native groups south of the border will stand with their Canadian cousins.

"We're going to stop these pipelines one way or another," he said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

An alliance of First Nations leaders is preparing to fight proposed new pipelines in the courts and through unspecified direct action.

Native leaders from Canada and the United States were on Parliament Hill Wednesday to underline opposition to both the Northern Gateway and Keystone XL pipelines.

The first would tie the Alberta oilsands to the West Coast, while the second would send bitumen to refineries on the American Gulf Coast.

Natural Resources Minister Joe Oliver said the federal government is consulting with First Nations and is ready to hear their concerns.

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## Targeted? Shooter kills head of Colorado prisons

Colorado's top state prison official was shot and killed when he answered the front door of his house, setting off a hunt for the shooter and raising questions about whether the attack had anything to do with his job.

Tom Clements, 58, was shot around 8:30 p.m. Tuesday in Monument, north of Colorado Springs, and a witness reported a person driving away in a dark-coloured "boxy" car that had its engine running at the time of the shooting, authorities said.

Investigators were exploring all possibilities, including

that the shooting could have been related to Clements' job as executive director of the Colorado Department of Corrections.

While the motive of the killing wasn't immediately clear, similar attacks on officials have been on the rise in the U.S., said Glenn McGovern, a California investigator who tracks such incidents worldwide.

The attacks are often motivated by revenge, said McGovern, who has documented more than 133 attacks since 1950. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



## Pregnancy. DNA from three researched to prevent passing on genetic diseases

Britain's fertility regulator says it has found broad public support for in vitro fertilization techniques that allow babies to be created with DNA from three people for couples at risk of passing on potentially fatal genetic diseases.

It also found there was no evidence to suggest the techniques were unsafe, but said further research was still necessary.

Critics, however, slammed the decision as a breach of ethics, saying there were already safe methods like egg donation to allow people to have children without mitochondrial defects.

Britain's Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority began a public discussion of the topic at the government's request last year.

"Although some people have concerns about the safety of these techniques, we found that they trust the scientific experts and the regulator to know when it is

### Genetic-disease research

**"The sole aim (is) preventing a potentially fatal condition from being passed down to the next generation."**

Marita Polschmidt, director of research at the Muscular Dystrophy Campaign

appropriate to make them available to patients," Lisa Jardine, chair of the group, said in a statement Wednesday.

British law forbids altering a human egg or an embryo before transferring it into a woman, so such treatments are currently only allowed for research. Similar research is going on in the U.S.

About one in 200 children every year in Britain is born with a mitochondrial disorder. Mistakes in the mitochondria's genetic code can result in serious diseases.

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## All-smiles with Baby on Board

The Duchess of Cambridge smiles at the Queen after she receives a "Baby on Board" badge. It's available to pregnant passengers on London's Tube to let others know they may need a seat. The Royals were celebrating the underground's 150th anniversary. MATT DUNHAM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## OMA. Ontario doctors want crackdown on antibiotic use in farming

The Ontario Medical Association wants the federal and provincial governments to crack down on antibiotic use in farming.

The organization is issuing a call to arms on the problem of antibiotic resistance, warning the world is in danger of losing these drugs because of misuse.

A policy paper drafted by the OMA says Ontario should ban the use of antibiotics as growth promoters in food-animal production.

Farmers currently feed antibiotics to healthy animals both to prevent them from becoming ill and to accelerate growth.

Many more tonnes of the drugs are used in agricultural operations than in human medicine and experts say the practice is fuelling development of resistance.

OMA president Dr. Doug Weir says Canada has been slower off the mark to act to protect antibiotics than countries in Europe and the

### 'A serious problem'

OMA president Dr. Doug Weir says Canadians do not appear to understand that if antibiotic use isn't curbed, the world faces a future in which some infections will be incurable.

- The OMA wants access to antibiotics for agricultural operations to be limited to cases where veterinarians write prescriptions. Currently farmers use the drugs without surveillance.

United States. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has barred the disease-prevention use of a class of antibiotics called cephalosporins in animal production, but the practice is not banned in Canada.

The OMA says governments should close loopholes that allow farmers to import the drugs. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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## Thieves illegally tapping maple trees

Thieves are illegally tapping maple trees on private property in Maine and stealing sap that is used to make maple syrup.

Forest Ranger Jeff Currier says the Maine Forest Service has gotten a dozen complaints from landowners finding taps in their trees with buckets or jugs under-

neath to collect the sap.

Currier says he first started getting sap theft reports about five years ago but says the number of complaints is up this year. No arrests have been made, but the culprits could face theft, malicious mischief and trespassing charges.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture says a gallon of Maine syrup has sold for about \$50 US on average at retail in recent years.

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A drop of fresh sap falls from a tap in a maple tree in Bowdoin, Maine.  
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# Live deer in trunk of car gives officer big surprise

**Police investigating.** Car owner says he thought he had killed the deer, but it was probably just stunned

Talk about junk in the trunk.

A public-safety officer checking a suspicious car parked behind a southwestern Michigan motel early Tuesday was more than a little surprised when a deer climbed out of the trunk, stumbled onto the road and bolted into nearby woods.

TV stations WWMT, WZZM and WOOD report that the driver told Kalamazoo officer David Miller he hit the deer on the road, thought he had killed it and was taking it home for his family to eat.

Squad-car dashboard-camera footage shows Miller opening the trunk then quickly trying to close it after he spots the deer. The animal escapes from the trunk, rear first, stumbles, rolls, then dashes off.

Lt. Stacey Geik said the collision probably just stunned the deer.

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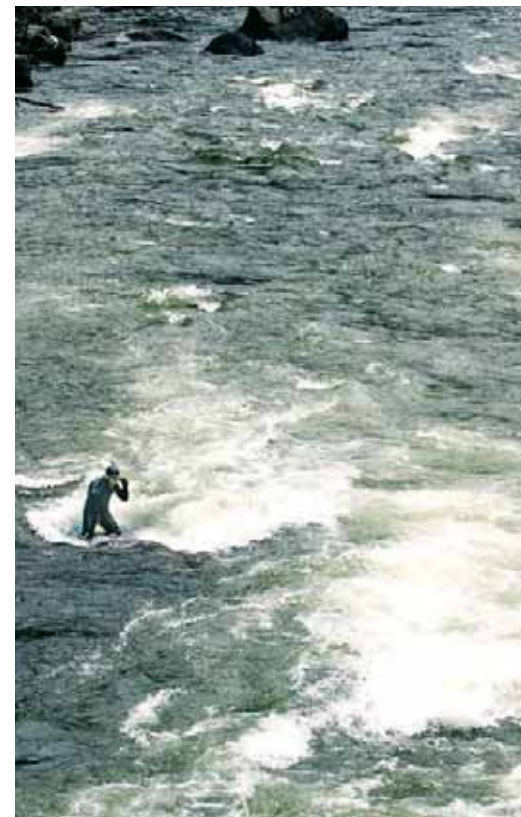
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Russ Ricketts of Leavenworth, Wash., stands on a rock March 14 in the Wenatchee River in Tumwater Canyon to get a better view of the rapids ahead. He often scouts rapids, looking for entrapments and eddies, before entering a river. To Ricketts and Matt Collins, also of Leavenworth, North Central Washington is a snorkelling mecca. The two men do this all year.

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# Regime, rebels call for probe of alleged chemical attack

## Syrian civil war.

Both sides blame each other for the incident without offering clear proof

Syria's government and rebels on Wednesday both demanded an international investigation into an alleged chemical-weapons attack, as the country's feared arsenal became the latest propaganda tool in the two-year-old civil war.

President Barack Obama said the United States is investigating whether chemical weapons have been deployed in Syria, but noted that he is "deeply skeptical" of claims by President Bashar Assad's regime that rebel forces were behind such an attack.



Syrian girls paint their faces with colours of the Syrian revolutionary flag during a festival in Aleppo, Syria, Wednesday. AMC/ALEPPO MEDIA CENTRE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"Once we establish the facts, I have made clear that the use of chemical weapons is a game changer," Obama said in a news conference with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in Jerusalem.

The use of chemical weapons by either side is a

nightmare scenario. Along with its warnings about Assad, the West is just as concerned that rebel forces, including some linked to al-Qaida, could get their hands on Syria's chemical-weapons supplies.

Despite the importance, any clear confirmation of the nature of the attack that took place Tuesday in the northern village of Khan al-Assal, killing at least 31 people, is unlikely. Syria's government seals off areas it controls to journalists and outside observers.

If confirmed, it would be the first time a chemical weapon has been used in Syria's war that has already killed an estimated 70,000 people.

Syria's UN Ambassador Bashar Jaafari called the attack "very serious and alarming and unacceptable and unethical." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Tensions with Iran. Obama pledges support for Israel

Eager to reassure an anxious ally, U.S. President Barack Obama on Wednesday promised to work closely with Israel and do whatever is necessary to keep Iran from obtaining nuclear arms, "the world's worst weapons."

Obama, meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on his first visit to the Jewish state as president, said of Iran's nuclear ambitions: "We prefer to resolve this diplomatically and there is still time to do so." But he added that "all options are on the table" if dip-

lomacy falls short.

Netanyahu, at Obama's side for a joint news conference, said that while he appreciated U.S. efforts to thwart Iran's pursuit of nuclear weapons through diplomacy and sanctions, those tools "must be augmented by a clear and credible threat of military action."

Seeking to alter a perception among many Israelis that his government has been less supportive of Israel than previous U.S. administrations, Obama declared the U.S.-Israeli alliance "eternal." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



U.S. President Barack Obama and Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu after a joint news conference in Jerusalem, Wednesday. CAROLYN KASTER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Egypt

### Judges suggest dissolving Muslim Brotherhood

A panel of judges has recommended the dissolution of Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood, the Islamist group from which President Mohammed Morsi hails. The recommendation is significant given charges that the Brotherhood is the real power behind Morsi. The recommendation was made to a high administrative court expected to rule this month in a case over the Brotherhood's legitimacy. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Ban lifted

### Jews of Egypt film to air in cinemas

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Finance Minister Jim Flaherty puts on his annual pre-budget shoes at the Roots Leather Factory in Toronto on Wednesday. A cabinet colleague has criticized Flaherty's intervention in the mortgage market. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Flaherty shouldn't have messed with mortgage rates, Tory minister says

Not everyone in the Conservative cabinet is backing Jim Flaherty's latest intervention in the mortgage market.

Small Business Minister Maxime Bernier says he believes the finance minister overstepped his bounds by having his office phone Manulife Financial to ask that it withdraw its discount on five-year mortgages to 2.89 per cent from 3.09.

Bernier said Wednesday that he would not have done it. "Me, personally, I would not dictate to businesses what prices to decide," he said. "It's the market. It's supply and demand that decides the prices. It is the case for interest rates, it is the case for other products, too."

### Dissension in the ranks

"Me, personally, I would not dictate to businesses what prices to decide."

Small Business Minister Maxime Bernier

In Parliament, NDP Leader Tom Mulcair asked which minister — Bernier or Flaherty — speaks for the government. "Which minister has the prime minister's confidence, the minister of small business or the minister of finance?"

Prime Minister Stephen Harper did not respond directly but did appear to echo Flaherty's justification for intervening. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

# Social media giants ignoring Canadian privacy laws: Report

**Personal data.** Sites are supposed to let users know what information is being collected about them — but they rarely do, a researcher says



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Many of the most prominent social-media companies are failing to comply with Canadian privacy laws, a new report says.

The study, written by University of Victoria researcher Chris Parsons, found sites such as Facebook, Twitter and Tumblr are "lacking at best, and entirely negligent at worst," when it comes to things like letting users know what kind of information is collected about them.

Schedule 1 of Canada's Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act requires social-networking sites, upon request, to hand over information about "the existence, use and disclosure of ... personal information."



A University of Victoria researcher notes that while some social media sites, such as Facebook and Twitter, do provide automated ways for users to access their personal data, they do not let users see all of that information. GETTY IMAGES FILE

But when Parsons and his colleagues filed such requests, only six of the 18 companies queried even replied, and those that did either refused to pro-

vide any information or offered incomplete data.

While Google, Facebook and Twitter do provide automated methods for users to access their information, Parsons says users are still unable to get all of their personal information. In particular, he and his colleagues weren't given the "metadata" that companies attached to their social media posts.

"We argue that metadata is content," he said. "And when we understand the metadata, we can understand how corporations and law enforcement use that data."

For example, metadata can tell a company how often you're upgrading your cell-phone or what kind of computer you're using. This information can then be sold to advertisers, or — in a case highlighted by the Wall Street Journal — be used to manage online pricing to charge more to certain consumers.

## Telemarketing. CRTC asks for public input on rules governing automated calls

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission is asking consumers and telemarketers for their views on how to reduce unwanted calls, and it's taking a close look at the rules for automated calls.

The CRTC is also asking for comment on a proposal by the Canadian Marketing Association to relax the rules restricting automatic calls for telemarketing.

The Canadian Marketing Association has proposed eliminating this restriction where an organization already has a business relationship with the

### Do-not-call list

- The CRTC oversees the national do-not-call list, which protects consumers from unwanted sales calls.

party being called and has not made a request to be on the organization's internal do-not-call list, the CRTC said Wednesday.

The proposed change means that such calls would be allowed even if consumers have registered their numbers on the national do-not-call list, the CRTC noted. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### BlackBerry co-founders

## \$100M fund aims to make create leader in quantum computing

BlackBerry co-founders Mike Lazaridis and Doug Fregin have established a \$100-million fund to commercialize quantum computing, an emerging field they say could revolutionize information technology.

They say the Waterloo, Ont., region could be a focal point for new jobs and new industries, much as California's Silicon Valley became a hub for advances in conventional computing.

Fregin, 53, retired in 2007 after serving as vice-president of operations. Lazaridis is the more prominent of the two, having served as co-chairman and co-CEO until early last year.

**THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### Points and perks

## Starbucks expands loyalty program

Starbucks is offering a novel perk to get more people to sign up for its loyalty program: Letting members earn points when they buy bags of its coffee at supermarkets. The company said at its annual meeting Wednesday that the new perk will roll out in May.

**THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### Mobile payments

## Rogers offers up more 'tap and pay' enabled phones

Rogers is offering seven more smartphones that allow consumers to do mobile payments at "tap and pay" terminals across the country. The devices are enabled with a short-range wireless technology, called near field communications, that transfers data when the smartphone is tapped against a contactless terminal. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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But you can't get me down, because this is the Golden Age of Television.

No other medium can compare. The Beatles came out with every style of pop music in the 60s, and musicians have been trying to catch up, copy or pay tribute ever since.

Movies peaked in the 1970s, when you could go watch *The Godfather* without being bombarded by tie-ins like a McBrando Triple Burger Combo complete with toy (Bullet-Riddled Sonny).

And the Internet, despite containing the total sum of human knowledge, hasn't figured out yet how to be more than society's porn stash.

But, ah, television. Television is in its sweet spot.

From masterpieces like *The Wire* and *The Sopranos*, to epic



HE SAYS

**John Mazerolle**

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works in progress like *Game of Thrones* and *Mad Men*, the last decade of television makes everything that came before it seem like *Amateur 44 Minutes*.

Just think: There was a time when people arguing the most complex character on television had to decide between Jed Clampett and Hoss Cartwright.

There was a time when the most impressive woman on television was Mary Tyler Moore, because she had a job (!) and could throw that hat a lot higher than people believed possible with scrawny female arms.

There was a time when spoilers were only required for big summertime cliffhangers, like *Who Borgified J.R.*? It wasn't really required for, say, *Home Improvement*. ("This week, Tim Taylor (WARNING: SPOILER AHEAD) gets his wife mad at him and talks it out with Wilson. We'll discuss the repercussions of this shocker and what

it means for the next 11 seasons.")

You can also see how far TV has come if you imagine current shows as old-style programs. "On a very special episode of *Game of Thrones*, Daenerys Stormborn has a heart-to-heart with her dragons when they take up smoking. King Joffrey enters a skateboarding competition, much to his mother's dismay. And Taylor Swift guest stars as Lady Diva Chanteuse, of *House Brokenheart*."

We can't even complain about bad television — and there's lots of it — because it's so easy to avoid now. Good TV is there for the buying, renting, streaming or downloading.

For the first time in its history, television has joined the best books and movies in rewarding an active mind. And we should grasp it while we can, because if popular culture has taught us anything, it's that the good stuff never lasts.

Whether this Golden Age of Television is a byproduct of our inability to deal with real-world wars, poverty and lack of chocolate on a planet that is spinning inexorably out of control is a question I will think about eventually — like, when *Game of Thrones* is over.

Shhh ... TV's on.

## ZOOM

# An artist within the animal

## Works by four-legged, fin-footed and scaled creatures on display

Briana Velazquez and Christian Venegas look at footprints on canvas by the El Paso Zoo's elephants Tuesday inside the Asian Discovery Center.

Through Sunday, Texas' El Paso Zoo will be featuring the exhibit, called *Color Coated*, of paintings made by snakes, elephants, seals, meerkats and a few other creatures.

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A piece of artwork done by Ibu, a Sumatran orangutan, seen at the El Paso Zoo. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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If you happen to be one who tweets, but shrug at the jokes that you read, they're not all that shallow, give these wits a follow, and chuckles will soon flood your feed.



@TheLimerickKing:

What do progressives now think  
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Is worthy of time in the clink.

@Twittericks:

There is quite an old Argentinian  
Who has a new global dominion  
The pontifex Francis  
Had previous chances  
But now won the conclave's opinion.

I also like this pope-related one from

@Twittericks:

There was an old fellow in Rome  
In a church with a bloody big dome  
Who said that's enough  
Of this papacy stuff  
I'm going to veg out at home

## Comments

**RE: Lululemon Pulls Yoga Pants Off Shelves For Being Too Revealing, published March 19**

These pants are made in Asia and sold here for arms and legs! I'll never ever buy these ... the fake ones make my tush look just as nice! We all know people don't buy them for yoga ... C'MON!

**Too\_Sense posted to metronews.ca**

Any publicity is good publicity, this is nothing more than a stunt.

**jordangreen posted to metronews.ca**

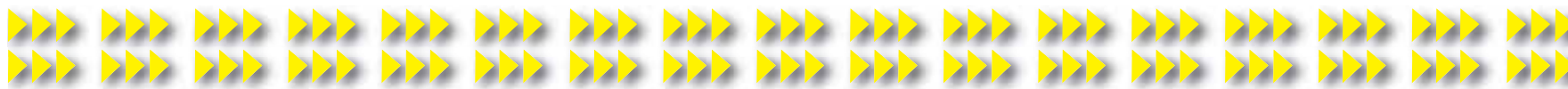
Some people DO buy them for yoga. Not everyone is a poser. It is not that surprising that so many people pose as fitness buffs by wearing the clothes they wear. There are always knock-offs, and that's cool, but the reality is they were designed to do a job. It should be OK if the byproduct is that it is also sexy. Why is that such a problem? Isn't it up to the buyer if the clothes are too revealing or not?

Man, this is so messed up, I would be inclined to think it is at least in part publicity. Another "wardrobe malfunction" LOL.

**Ron Davies posted to metronews.ca**

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# Fashion week snags and showstoppers

## Western Canada Fashion Week.

Shows are not  
just for aficionados,  
says founder



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Just because an event has been done before doesn't mean it gets any easier for organizers as the years go on.

Take Western Canada Fashion Week. Eight years ago Sandra Fernandes, a designer hailing from none other than the fashion capital of New York City, moved to Edmonton and couldn't wait to sink her teeth into starting a local fashion week.

She has the goods to back her up, too. During her Big Apple life, Fernandes was a regular at highly coveted fashion events. She continues to rub elbows backstage with some of the most amazing designers, stunning models and talented editors from all over the world.

She knew how much work would be involved in securing a venue, finding designers

### Supporting local talent

**"I could put on a Betsey Johnson show and have a packed house, but put in a new designer and you have trouble filling the space."**

Sandra Fernandes,  
Western Canada Fashion Week founder

and booking models, and she knew she wouldn't have it easy when she founded Western Canada Fashion Week.

For starters, Fernandes says she noticed a trend that's more cringe-worthy than backcombed bangs.

"Across the world, any young or local designer is having a harder time because the big guys are growing and getting stronger. I could put on a Betsey Johnson show and have a packed house, but put in a new designer and you have trouble filling the space," says Fernandes.

"It's so important to get the message out to the community that we need to support our local talent so it grows."

With the line-up Fernandes has planned for her 17th fashion season in E-town, fulfilling her goals shouldn't be a problem.

"The spring shows are going to be amazing. Haithem Eikadki is bringing his men's collection from Calgary. His ideas and concepts are so different. We also have some amazing local and collection designers, so people are really going to enjoy the mixture we're presenting," she said.

"Fashion Week isn't just for fashion enthusiasts — the shows entertain with everything that's going on."

To get in on the action, get your tickets from the Fringe Theatre box office by calling 780-409-1910 or swinging by Tix on the Square at Sir Winston Churchill Square.

Western Canada Fashion Week kicks off tonight at the TransAlta Arts Barns (10330-84 Ave.). For more information, visit [westerncanadafashionweek.com](http://westerncanadafashionweek.com).

### Details

- Western Canada Fashion Week runs from March 21 to 28.
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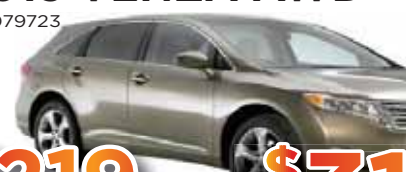


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## Lily Tomlin. Actress was ready to bare it all in the name of feminism

Admission is a romantic comedy, not an action movie, so it comes as something of a surprise that one of its stars wanted to advertise their physique with a scene in which they chop wood bare-chested in the forest. Even more surprising? That star was comedy legend Lily Tomlin. "I wanted to be in the woods chopping wood with my shirt off," Tomlin reveals about her character, a septuagenarian feminist whose adult life has been devoted to activism. "The character has a double mastectomy, and I think, I'll get a breastplate made like I've had a double mastectomy and I'll tattoo it to show another expression of her empowerment and how she's completely at ease with herself and accepts her female body."

Unfortunately, the actress landed the role too late to be able to follow through on her plan. But even without the requisite hardware she wanted to bare her body on screen, she reached into her own experiences in order to bare her character's soul.

"I am a feminist and I lived in those days of the movement," Tomlin explains. "And I know what it is as a human [to believe] in a certain philosophy or some doctrine — and you do not want to betray it."

As Susannah, Tomlin plays the mother of Tina Fey's Princeton admissions officer, Portia, who's fumbling her way through a romance with an alternative high school principal (Paul Rudd) while



Lily Tomlin says like her character in Admission, she's a feminist.  
HANDOUT

simultaneously dealing with the revelation that an applicant just might be her long-lost son. The 73-year-old actress says that she loved the parallels she saw between mother and daughter, particularly since like her daughter's long-concealed pregnancy, Susannah had Portia under dubious circumstances that she has since re-imagined as an emblem of her feminist values.

"My character got pregnant from having sex with a guy she's attracted to on the train, but she doesn't want to admit that she was so attracted to this guy that she was vulnerable to him," Tomlin observes. "So she creates that mythology that she chose him and she was empowered enough to decide when she was going to have a child and who she was going to have it with."

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## Fey has an admission to make about school

**Princeton pass over.** Filming latest project brought up memories of rejection for comedian and writer

**NED EHRBAR**  
Metro World News in Hollywood

Playing a gatekeeper deciding who does and doesn't get into Princeton in Admission brought some long-buried memories to the surface for Tina Fey. "It did remind me that I had actually applied to Princeton and had been rejected, but I felt OK about that," says Fey, who earned her bachelor's at the University of Virginia. "I didn't get mad when I was shooting on the Princeton campus. It was fine."

In fact, Fey credits her Pennsylvania upbringing for sparing her from much of the Ivy League anxiety forced upon other teenagers.

"I wasn't growing up in some kind of private-school world where it was expected of you to try to get into an Ivy League school," she says. "I think there are people who grow up in a family where it's like, 'If you don't get into Harvard or Yale or Princeton, you're done!' I



Tina Fey and Paul Rudd star in Admission, which opens Friday. HANDOUT

think that's craziness."

Though she made a name for creating her own characters — most notably Liz Lemon on 30 Rock, Fey came to Admission primarily as an actress. "I thought the character of Portia was interesting because I hadn't seen a movie about this world of college admissions before, and it is a world that's filled with so much anxiety and therefore humour for people on all sides of it," she

says of her attraction to the project.

"I also liked that she's an adult and she is intelligent, and at the same time she still has this huge, explosive emotional thing happen in her life."

"I also thought it was an interesting story that you see these characters who are chasing motherhood and in pursuit of motherhood, and this is a character who decidedly did not want to

be a mother but because of the given circumstances has to cope with the idea that maybe she is."

As for being a mother herself?

"I'm in favour of it," Fey declares with a laugh. "I'm a mother of two, and it's certainly probably the hardest — parenthood, motherhood or fatherhood — is probably the hardest job you could ever do, but it is rewarding in a unique way as well."

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Judd Apatow and Leslie Mann both accepted turning 40. GETTY IMAGES

# A writer looks at 40

**Middle-aged musing.**  
Judd Apatow and wife Leslie Mann reflect on their milestone birthday

Comedy maven Judd Apatow distinctly remembers the day he reached the milestone birthday that shapes his film *This Is 40*, which comes out on DVD/Blu-ray on Friday.

"The day I turned 40 my wife was shooting a movie with Zac Efron, so I visited her on the set and she was dancing with him in a scene," the 45-year-old writer/producer/director, who's married to *This Is 40* star Leslie Mann, said in a recent telephone interview.

"So I had to watch her dance with Zac Efron all night. That may have scarred me."

Mann has a different take on the experience.

"That was fun!" the comedic actress said with a laugh in a separate telephone interview.

As it turned out, sultry

dancing was also a key part of Mann's 40th birthday nearly a year ago.

"I went to Hawaii with my girlfriends and we went to a night club and we danced on a stripper pole, with our clothes on, but the night club was empty," Mann recalled on the line from Los Angeles.

"It was like a Wednesday night or something and ... we had a lot to drink."

"And the next day we were covered in bruises from the pole, because you have to be in really good shape to go on those poles. I mean, it takes a lot of core strength, which we don't have," she continued.

"But we had a good time, and you know (40), has been pretty good. I seem pretty OK with it. Thirty was harder for me than 40."

Apatow feels the same way.

"I found 30 to be a trickier birthday, because I always felt like you were supposed to go nuts when you're in your 20s and I didn't. I just worked really hard as a writer and I didn't take the time to have a lot of mad fun," said the New York

native, who did standup comedy before moving on to an acclaimed TV and film career.

"So when my 20s ended I thought, 'Oh my god, I missed it. I didn't do what you're supposed to do.' Then I just resigned myself to it being over."

Mann's character in *This Is 40*, meanwhile, is not OK with leaving her 30s and lies about her age. Paul Rudd plays her husband, who is entering his 40th year with financial woes at his record label.

Apatow wrote and directed the dramedy that co-stars his and Mann's children, Maude and Iris, as the family's daughters.

The story is "a big soup of real experiences" and reflects his fascination with why people struggle to get along, he said.

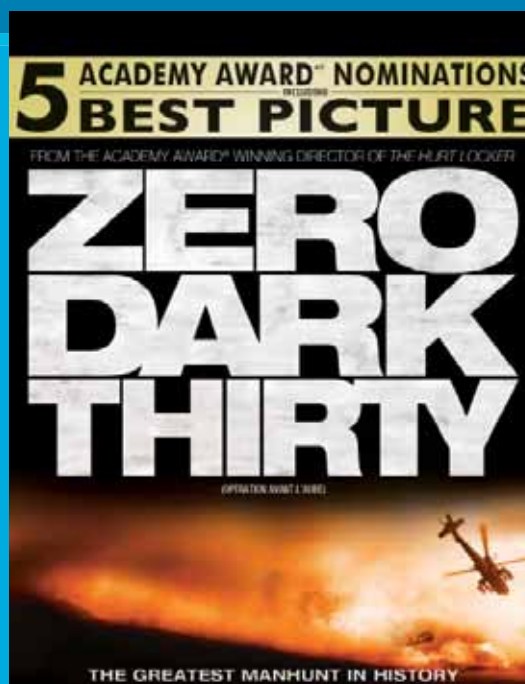
"The basic idea of trying really hard to make a marriage work over the long-term is interesting to me and I am fascinated by bad communication skills," said Apatow, who made his feature directorial debut with *The 40-Year-Old Virgin*, which he also co-wrote.

*This Is 40* is billed "a sort-of sequel" to Apatow's hit 2007 comedy film *Knocked Up*, which also featured Mann, Maude and Iris.

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# David Bowie brings music to the movies

**Contribution to cinema.** The enigmatic musician has only had a few leading roles, but his CV is teeming with small, memorable supporting turns

**MATT PRIGGE**  
Metro World News in New York

Movies have been kind to David Bowie. Where the tradition is for cinema to crush pop star hubris — just ask Madonna, Britney Spears and Mariah Carey — the one born David Jones has eked out a select but excellent filmic existence.

He's only had but a few leading roles — most notably 1976's *The Man Who Fell to Earth* — but his CV teems with small, memorable supporting turns: a cucumber-cool Pontius Pilate in *The Last Temptation of Christ*, a spot-

on Andy Warhol in *Basquiat*, a movie-stealing Nikola Tesla in *The Prestige* and a deeply affecting performance as a dying vampire in the incoherent hot mess that is Tony Scott's *The Hunger*. (He's also very good as a co-lead in Nagisa Oshima's Japanese POW saga, *Merry Christmas*, Mr. Lawrence.)

It's too bad Bowie doesn't enjoy film acting. He's admitted finding movie sets to be artistically fallow, consisting of so much waiting around that he finds himself uninspired. (He hasn't acted in a film since a small role in 2008's *August*.)

But movies have also been great to his music. Yes, there are only about a thousand uses of *Under Pressure*. But other movies use his music in more creative ways.

In honour of *The Next Day*, Bowie's first album in more than a decade — and his best in ages — here's a smattering of Bowie's aural contributions to cinema.



David Bowie isn't a fan of acting. GETTY IMAGES / ALL OTHER PHOTOS ARE HANDOUTS

## Christiane F (1981)

Christiane F (Vera Christine Felscherinow) achieved fame when her life as a teenage heroin addict in West Germany became the non-fiction bestseller *Christiane F — We Children of Bahnhof Zoo*.

It then became a low-budget movie by Ulli Edel (*Last Exit to Brooklyn*, *The Baader Meinhof Complex*). A depressing film about teenage drug addiction might not have been a big draw, but it had an ace up its sleeve: David Bowie contributed songs and appeared as himself in gratuitous concert footage.

Because the film was set in the late '70s, the music hails from his Berlin era and you get *Helden*, the German version of *Heroes*. Today the film is perhaps best known as a soundtrack in the David Bowie section of music stores.



## Cat People (1982)

Paul Schrader's remake of Val Lewton's no-budget chiller about a woman who thinks she'll turn into a killer panther when sexually aroused is heavy and awesomely insane.

It saves its most poetically ridiculous moment for the end, which employs the slower, moodier version of Bowie's *Cat People* — also used to great effect in *Inglourious Basterds* — over a freeze frame of a sad panther face.

This holds for an entire verse before Schrader unpauses it for the song's chorus, then freeze frames it again!



## Labyrinth (1985)

The movie where Bowie, made up to look like a leopard in big '80s hair, plays a puppet king who wishes to marry a 15-year-old Jennifer Connolly. When she refuses, he does the next logical thing: kidnaps her baby brother and forces her to trawl through a puppet-laden maze. It's also a part-time musical. Screenplay by Terry Jones!





### Boy Meets Girl (1984)

Filmmaker Leos Carax is big again thanks to *Holy Motors*, but once upon a time he was the enfant terrible of French cinema and one of the major practitioners of the music video-heavy “cinema du look.”

In his feature debut, Carax went to some of Bowie's earliest, when he was an incorrigible unknown cranking out whimsical Anthony Newley-esque songs. The result, a sequence set to the languid *When I Live My Dream*, is a lovely, lyrical moment capturing the pleasure of walking around Paris with Bowie booming in one's ears.



### Lost Highway (1997)

Bowie's 1995 album *Outside* is one of his better latter-day works, and two of its songs were put to excellent use in two excellent movies.

Seven got Heart's *Filthy Lesson*, while David Lynch's comeback film — after the disastrous and unfairly maligned *Twin Peaks: Fire Walk With Me*, which featured a bizarre cameo from Bowie — opened with the (literally) driving *I'm Deranged*.



### The Runaways (2010)

Dakota Fanning's Cherie Currie first exhibits her rock star prowess by lip synching and gyrating to Lady Grrinning Soul while decked out in *Aladdin Sane* gear. That doesn't sound amazing when typed out, but it is.



### Mauvais Sang (1986)

Carax reached for his Bowie stack again for his sophomore effort — an arty neo-noir in which philosophical crook Denis Lavant (the shape-shifting star of *Holy Motors*) is in love with moll Juliette Binoche.

His passions manifest in a scene where, upon hearing Bowie's *Modern Love* on the radio, he runs top speed down a deserted city street at night, the song booming at 11.

It's the most accurate portrayal of unbridled happiness caught on film and, like most moments of unbridled happiness, it's much too short.



### Dogville (2004)

Lars Von Trier's twisted homage to *Our Town* aims to be an indictment of America, in which strangers are first welcomed and then exploited by a cruel society.

To drive this

point home, he ends the film with a montage of photos of American devastation and blight set to *Young Americans*.

Von Trier did the same thing with the sequel, *Manderlay*, which concerned slavery and racism.

### The Perks of Being a Wallflower (2012)

Once upon a time, when you heard a song and you didn't know what it was, you might spend years, decades even, trying to hunt it down.

Set in the distant past of the early '90s, this much-liked YA picture handily depicts an era of irritating ignorance: our heroes hear Bowie's *Heroes* — the *Wallflowers* cover, from the soundtrack to 1998's *Godzilla*, had not yet emerged — are immediately blown away (because it's Bowie's *Heroes*), but don't figure out what it is until much later in the movie. Good times.



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## Naomi Watts digs deep with words on plastic surgery

Naomi Watts isn't ruling out plastic surgery as an option, but she does worry it might limit her job prospects.

"Never say never — and I certainly don't judge anyone who does it — but most of the characters I play are going through some kind of emotional turmoil, so my job requires me to have expression," Watts tells Australia's Good Health magazine. "If my

face was frozen, what right do I have to play that part? All the women who haven't (done) anything to their faces are still able to play great roles. And some of the ones who have done something have messed it up — they look freakish. Anyway, for me it's about playing women with rich lives. And the longer the life, the deeper the wrinkles."

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### The Word



## James Franco couldn't care less if you don't like what he does

James Franco has caught flak for his myriad film and art projects he's launched and academic degrees he's pursued, but he's not letting the haters get him down.

"Criticism can sting but not for long. At this point I've heard it all, good and bad. I

can take anything," Franco tells Bullett magazine. "If anyone wants to say that my doing these things makes me a jerk, that's not about me — that's about people reacting to me. I don't need to be liked for anything I do."

He continued on about his haters and why they react the way they do.

"I put out a lot of different kinds of material, and maybe people read that as egotistical. Or maybe, since a lot of it does involve some aspect of me, they find it self-aggrandizing. But there's a long tradition of artists using themselves."



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In pre-production for A Million Ways To Die in the West. My horse hasn't kicked me yet, but he did say he hates Family Guy past season 3.



Pink cares about all her fans, no matter how young.

## Pink stops show to help little girl

Pink certainly knows how to keep the peace. The singer halted a recent Philadelphia concert when she noticed a little girl in the crowd crying, according to Us Weekly.

"Is everything OK right? Is this little girl all right? Why is she crying? Why is she upset?" asked Pink, who was informed by

audience members that an altercation had upset the young girl. "Because there was a fight? You all are fighting around a little girl?" she asked.

Pink then coaxed the girl on stage and gave her a treat. "Honey, do you want this frog and this Rice Krispies treat?"

Before getting back to the music, she also had a message for the rest of the crowd.

"Are we OK now? Cut it out, y'all. We're grown-ass women."

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# Fall into fashion's future

After four gruelling fashion weeks — New York, London, Milan and Paris — we distilled the biggest themes that came down the runways. Here's what you can expect to wear next autumn.

**TINA CHADHA**  
Metro World News

## Back to black

As far as New York goes, one message was clear: fall is going to be all about wearable clothes. And let's face it, nothing in your wardrobe is more versatile than black. It's no surprise then that the classic shade ruled the runways. Pair black items with white for another key trend.

**SEEN HERE:**  
**RAG & BONE**



## Plays on texture

Forget clothes in plain wool or cotton — designers used luxurious textured fabrics such as high-shine pony hair, wooly alpaca, sophisticated tweed and quilted leather to add a layer of interest to their fall looks.

**SEEN HERE:** LANVIN



## Menswear inspired

Borrowing from the boys has been popular for the past few seasons. Designers furthered explored the trend for fall with slouchy, loose suiting.

**SEEN HERE:**  
**BLUMARINE**



## Oversized coats

Besides the tremendous amount of fur on the runway (is PETA still doing their job?) there was another overwhelmingly ubiquitous outerwear trend: coats in oversized proportions and exaggerated cocoon shapes. Squeezing into a crowded subway in one of these is going to be fun.

**SEEN HERE:** ROCHAS



## Pink gets its day

The colour pink gets a bad rap as an uncool girly-girl shade — but that's about to change. Come fall, expect to see stand-out items in every permutation of pink ranging from soft blush to bold fuchsia.

**SEEN HERE:**  
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## There's a lady in the house

For those of you who don't do androgyny, feminine staples such as peplum tops, full skirts with longer hemlines and pencil skirts with cinched jackets gave collections a polished, lady-like feel.

**SEEN HERE:** ROCHAS



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## Plaid and checks

Whether you go '90s grunge a la Saint Laurent or the more formal route with houndstooth and Prince of Wales check as shown at Tommy Hilfiger, expect to be part of the plaid parade come Fall.

**SEEN HERE:**  
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## Winter white

People anxious about getting side eyes for wearing white in the cold seasons can finally put that fear to rest. Designers showed full looks in dreamy pale shades.

**SEEN HERE:**  
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## High slits

Are all the safe, wearable clothes putting you to sleep? Skirts and dresses with slits up to there added a sexy jolt to the fall shows.

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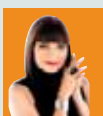


## Embellishments galore

This never really ever went out of style. But this show season, the decoration was especially in-your-face with shimmer on top of crystal on top of metal on top of feathers. No matter what your trimming of choice is, there was an option to choose from on the runway.



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# Live on the curly pasta edge with Sicilian-inspired Lamb Ragu

Curly-Edged Pasta With Lamb Ragu



This recipe serves two. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

This is one of Nigella Lawson's go-to weeknight suppers. She says you can cook the ragu longer at a lower heat, if desired, but it's also perfect as is.

This recipe calls for pappardelle — those egg-rich, wide ribbons — but you can use whatever type of pasta you have on hand.

"Ragout" is French, "ragu" Italian, and this meat sauce is inspired by the Sicilian combination of sweet lamb, dried wild mint and crushed chili flakes, though Lawson said she has added an Anglo note with a little red currant jelly.

1. Put a large pan of water on to boil for the pasta and warm garlic oil in a small, heavy-based pan that comes with a lid; cook shallots, stirring for a minute or so.

2. Sprinkle in mint, oregano and red pepper flakes, stirring again in hot pan before adding meat. Cook for a couple of

minutes, stirring to break it up with a wooden spatula or spoon, until it loses a bit of its pinkness.

3. Add tomatoes, red currant jelly, Worcestershire sauce, salt and some grindings of pepper, then give a good stir and bring to a bubble. Partially cover with the lid and simmer for 20 minutes.

4. At the appropriate time, salt the boiling water and cook

pasta according to package instructions, making sure to check for readiness a couple of minutes before it's supposed to be done. Once cooked and not-too-efficiently drained, return pasta to pan and dress with lamb ragu.

5. Sprinkle a little bit of fresh mint onto each bowl, if desired, to serve. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ NIGELLISSIMA: EASY ITALIAN-INSPIRED RECIPES BY NIGELLA LAWSON (KNOPF CANADA, 2013).**

## Ingredients

- 22 ml (1 1/2 tbsp) garlic-infused olive oil
- 1 banana shallot, chopped
- 5 ml (1 tsp) dried mint
- 5 ml (1 tsp) oregano
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) crushed red pepper flakes
- 250 g (8 oz) ground lamb
- 1 can (398 ml/14 oz) diced tomatoes
- 10 ml (2 tsp) red currant jelly
- 7 ml (1 1/2 tsp) Worcestershire sauce
- Pinch salt, plus more for pasta water
- Freshly ground pepper
- 250 g (8 oz) pappardelle
- Handful fresh mint, to garnish (optional)

## Cookbook of the Week

### Flavours of Italy



In her book *Nigellissima: Easy Italian-Inspired Recipes*, Nigella Lawson offers up dishes that don't require inaccessible ingredients or techniques. That's because *Nigellissima* shows readers how a weeknight dish can be a faithful (and delicious) interpretation of traditional Italian fares.

Included are recipes like Italian Roast Chicken with Peppers and Olives; Shortcut Sausage Meatballs; Spaghetti with Tuna, Lemon and Arugula; Nutella Cheesecake, and more. **METRO**

# Indulge without dairy and gluten: Choco-Olive Oil Cake

Nigella Lawson said she made this cake for a friend who had been diagnosed with celiac disease.

It's also dairy and gluten-free. It's "very, very easy."

The cake is delicious served warm, with some berries on the side, as well as a dollop of mascarpone or ice cream.

1. Heat oven to 160 C (325 F). Grease a 23-cm (9-inch) spring-form pan with oil and line base with baking parchment.

2. Measure and sift cocoa powder into bowl and whisk in boiling water until you have a smooth, chocolatey, still runny paste. Whisk in

vanilla, then set aside to cool a little.

3. In another smallish bowl, combine almond meal with baking soda and salt.

4. Put sugar, olive oil and eggs into bowl of freestanding mixer with paddle attach-

ment and beat vigorously 3 minutes until you have a pale-primrose, aerated and thickened cream.

5. Turn speed down a little and pour in cocoa mix, beating as you go, and when all is scraped in, you can slowly tip in almond meal mixture.



This recipe makes eight to 12 slices. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

6. Scrape down, and stir with a spatula, then pour batter into prepared pan. Bake 45 minutes or until sides set and very centre, on top, still looks slightly damp. A cake tester should come up mainly clean but with a few sticky choco-

late crumbs clinging to it.

7. Let cool 10 minutes on wire rack, still in its pan, and then ease sides of the cake with metal spatula and spring it out of the pan.

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## Ingredients

- 150 ml (2/3 cup) regular olive oil (plus more for greasing)
- 90 ml (6 tbsp) good-quality unsweetened cocoa powder, sifted
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) boiling water
- 10 ml (2 tsp) best vanilla extract
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) almond meal (flour) or 175 ml (3/4 cup) plus 15 ml (1 tbsp) all-purpose flour
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) baking soda
- Pinch salt
- 250 ml (1 cup) superfine sugar
- 3 eggs

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# Speedy, weeknight friendly Coconut Chicken Curry

Wanting a Coconut Chicken Curry that is fast, delicious and not loaded with fat isn't too much to ask for.

The key is to make the sauce rich and flavourful without resorting to the usual culprit — full-fat coconut milk. The solution is to start with a small amount of light coconut milk and doctor it up. Puréeing into roasted red peppers and a small onion is just the trick.

## Ingredients

- 12-oz jar roasted red peppers, drained
- 1 small yellow onion, chopped
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 1/2 cup light coconut milk
- 2 tsp curry powder
- Three 3-inch lengths fresh lemon grass
- 15-oz can chickpeas, drained
- 1 cup grated carrots
- 1 3/4 lbs boneless, skinless chicken thighs

For that something sweet, try adding grated carrots. You can't go wrong with just the right amount of natural sweetness. A hefty dose of curry powder and lemon grass added during cooking rounds it all out.

To make sure it all comes together, all you have to do is bring the sauce to a simmer in a large sauté pan, then add the chicken. Finally, bulk out the recipe with good lean protein, by adding a can of chickpeas.

1. In a blender, combine red peppers, onion, broth, coconut milk and curry powder. Process or purée until completely smooth.

2. Pour sauce into large, deep sauté pan over medium-high heat. Bring to a simmer. Use a meat mallet to lightly crush lemon grass, then add to sauce. Stir in chickpeas and carrots. Nestle chicken thighs into the sauce, being sure tops are covered. Reduce the heat to maintain a simmer and cook, uncov-



This recipe serves six. MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ered, for 20 minutes.

3. Remove and discard lemon

grass. Serve chicken with chickpeas, carrots and sauce spooned over it. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Dessert. Lemon Cookies

1. In bowl, use electric mixer to beat butter until light and fluffy. Add 1/2 cup of powdered sugar, beat well. Add salt, lemon zest and vanilla and beat until creamy. Add food colouring, if using. A little at a time, beat in the flour just until mixed.

2. Add nuts, using a silicone spatula to stir in. Place dough in a small bowl and chill 30 to 60 minutes.

3. Meanwhile, heat the oven to 375 F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Place the remaining 1 cup of powdered sugar in a medium bowl.

4. Once dough chills, divide into 1/2-inch balls. Arrange on prepared baking sheet, leaving 1 inch between them. Bake on centre rack 12 minutes, or until the cookies are set on top and lightly golden on bottom.

5. Let cookies cool 3 minutes on cookie sheet. A few at a time, place in bowl of powdered sugar and toss gently to coat well. Transfer coated cookies to a rack to cool completely. Once cool, repeat coating process with the bowl of sugar. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ ELIZABETH KARMEL,



AUTHOR OF THREE COOKBOOKS, INCLUDING SOAKED, SLATHERED AND SEASONED.

## Ingredients

- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, softened
- 1 1/2 cups powdered sugar, sifted, divided
- 1/4 tsp fine-grain salt
- Zest of 1 very large or 2 small lemons
- 1 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 drop yellow food coloring (optional)
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup lightly toasted pecans, finely chopped in a food processor or nut chopper

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"It's a great place to take a break from the stove and let someone else cook while the customers enjoy the night," Joey's Manning owner Maynard Hebert says.

With fresh seafood specials and a large variety of pasta, Joey's Restaurant has a mouth-watering selection of

choices for the family. They also have weekly food specials that anyone can take advantage of by texting "joeys-manning" to the number 70734.

"We're more than eager to share our passion for serving the community and our loyal customers, Maynard says, "At Joey's, quality rules."

Customers can also help Maynard and his team give back to the community by donating towards the Joey's 2013 Ride to Conquer Cancer, which will raise \$7,500 for the charity by riding through the Rockies.

"A lot of people have been affected by cancer. My mom died from it, one of our servers is battling it, as well as some of our customers. It's just our way to give back," says Hebert.

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# CONNECT WITH NATURE

## DISCOVER WHAT HAWKS RIDGE AT BIG LAKE HAS TO OFFER



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With spring just around the corner, it's time to shake the dust off, get off the couch and enjoy the outdoors.

On April 6, from noon to 5 p.m., celebrate the return of spring with family fun, food and prizes at Hawks Ridge at Big Lake.

The Act Food Truck will be on-site serving food and beverages compliments

of Hawks Ridge at Big Lake. The fun continues with a giveaway and prize draws for an iPad mini, Enjoy Centre gift card and John Janzen family passes.

There is also a face painter and balloon artist planned to entertain the kids.

"This is a great opportunity for everyone to come out and experience what a great community Hawks Ridge at

Big Lake is and truly discover everything it has to offer," says Jill Curtis, marketing co-ordinator for Walton Development and Management L.P. (Walton), the community developer.

Hawks Ridge at Big Lake is a new residential community located in northwest Edmonton, next to Lois Hole Centennial Provincial Park and Big Lake,

with quick access to the Yellowhead and Anthony Henday.

Hawks Ridge is specifically designed to integrate the area's unspoiled natural reserve with the overall community plan.

"If you're active and want to be close to nature, this is a great community to call home," Curtis says.

This community offers a great opportunity for families to connect with nature while maintaining a convenient lifestyle close to transportation routes and existing amenities.

"Hawks Ridge provides a natural escape in the city — young, active families can escape to the community at the end of their day, go for a walk, go birdwatching, or explore a provincial park all without leaving the area," Curtis says.

"There are plenty of gorgeous views. It is a place where you can really envision your future."

Four homebuilders showcase five show homes in Hawks Ridge at Big Lake: Sabal Homes; Montorio Homes; Reid Built Homes; and Morrison Homes.

There are three single-family (starting in the \$399,000s) and two semi-detached (starting in the \$290,000s) models.

For more information about Hawks Ridge at Big Lake, visit [hawksridge.ca](http://hawksridge.ca).

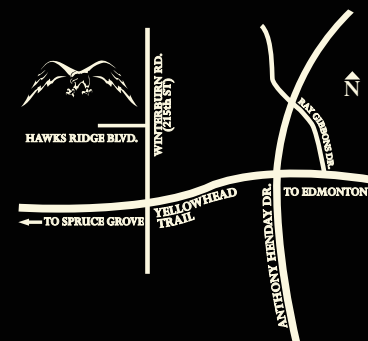
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With homes starting in the \$300,000s and ranging up to the \$600,000s, it is a great community to find your first home, or even your dream home.

"It's a beautiful community with gorgeous front entry and an incredible pond as you drive in," says Chris Nicholas, vice-president of operations for MLC Land Group.

"Allard provides the best value for people wanting to live in the southwest."

Homes in Allard range from duplex,

small single family, single attached, and detached garage.

Residents of this community will also have a chance to take advantage of a number of first-class amenities within Allard, such as the brand new community ice rink. Gather your friends for a game of shiny, a day of family skating or just huddle up around the fire pits and enjoy a warm cup of hot chocolate on a cool day.

"This is a great new addition to the community and it has been incredibly well-used," Nicholas says.

And once the snow is all melted, take a walk around the huge community pond with walking trails connecting one side to the other.

There are also plans for a school to be built in Allard, making this a great neigh-



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bourhood for growing families.

Currently, residents will find easy access to schools, shopping and parks.

"You don't have to go far for everything you want," Nicholas says.

With easy access to downtown, Anthony Henday, and the International Airport, living in Allard is convenient and fits with every lifestyle.

Allard is one of the first communities

to begin construction in the new area of Heritage Valley in southwest Edmonton.

With plans for a brand new 27-acre commercial town centre and city of Edmonton recreation centre in the works, Allard is in the heart of this up-and-coming social and economic area.

To learn more about Allard, visit [allard.ca](http://allard.ca), or stop in and check on the many show homes open for viewing.

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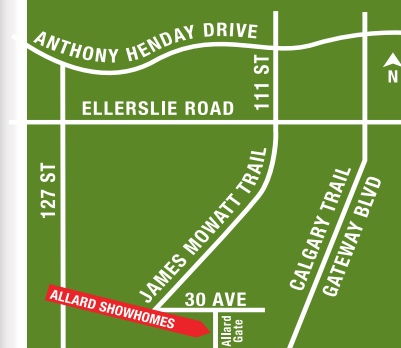
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Boasting a wide range of homes and friendly new community, Windermere South is quickly selling out.

"This has been an extremely successful neighbourhood," says Chris Nicholas, vice-president of operations for MLC Land Group. "There are very few single-family lots still available, less than a dozen."

Development of Windermere South only began a short time ago, but has already proven to be popular among homebuyers.

With a number of homebuilders working together in this project, homebuyers are sure to find something to suit their lifestyle.

"Whether this is your first home, or your dream home, Windermere South

### PROMOTION

If you are thinking about building a home in Windermere South, be sure to ask your builder about the free landscaping and fencing promotion. This promotion only applies to any duplex or townhome home sales and is effective immediately.

Be sure to ask your builder if this promotion applies to you.

is a place you will be proud to call your home," says Nicholas.

For those who live a more active lifestyle, or even those looking to add a little more activity into theirs, Windermere South connects you with an extensive network of walking trails and two serene



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ponds, perfect for an evening stroll or morning jog.

Located at Ellerslie Road and 170th, this community has easy access to many major routes to downtown and the International Airport.

Great shopping is also only a short drive away in Currents of Windermere, with all your essential needs basically right on your doorstep.

If you are looking to get into a home in this wonderful neighbourhood, now is the time to check out the products still available. Spacious and luxury townhomes and duplexes with rear lane and front attached garages are still available and starting in the low \$300,000s.

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## FEEL FREE TO CUSTOMIZE WITH MONTORIO HOMES

Custom home building has been a hallmark of family-owned Montorio Homes of Edmonton for nearly two decades.

The company started by building a handful of homes a year for clients, but as it evolved into multi-home sites, it kept the tradition of allowing buyers to put their personal stamp on their homes by customizing them to suit their needs and wants.

Now Montorio is bringing the concept to duplexes it is building in Walkers Summit, a new community in southeast Edmonton, providing buyers with the opportunity to truly create a home that reflects their individual tastes, an offer usually associated only with higher-end homes.

"We offer standard plans and if a buyer wants to customize them, we'll do all



we can to accommodate the client," says Steve Curtis, Montorio Homes sales and marketing manager.

Since these are duplexes, the home's footprint can't change too much, but it may be possible to increase the home's square footage by adding a few feet to the rear, depending on the plan.

Buyers have the freedom to customize interiors and aren't confined to a limited palette of cabinetry or flooring or other

finishes, but can choose whatever they like. Requests can also be granted to reconfigure floor plans to some extent to create a grander ensuite or a larger dining room, for example.

"It can be frustrating to be told no and we try to accommodate anyone, whether they are spending \$300,000 to \$1 million for a home," Curtis says.

The duplexes in Walkers Summit will be 1,334 to 1,448 square feet, appealing



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to first-time or move-up buyers. Nearby amenities include South Edmonton Common, Southgate Centre and Millwoods Towne Centre, as well as entertainment, recreational and health facilities.

Like all Montorio Homes, the duplexes will feature high-quality construction, environmentally friendly products and upgraded interiors.

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# HOME SWEET HOME

## MANY DESIRE THEIR OWN HOME: SURVEY

Although there are genuine hurdles to owning a home for Canadians, a new Royal LePage Real Estate survey shows that generation Y (born between 1980 and 1994) and baby boomers (born between 1947 and 1966) still strongly desire a house of their own.

The survey conducted by Leger Marketing found that four in five (80.9 per cent) of the generation Y sample indicated that they have plans to move to another primary residence at some point in the future, with a significant proportion (39 per cent) stating that they have a move planned at some point in the next two years. Baby boomers were less interested in moving, with 56.6 per cent stating that they currently have no plans to move to another residence.

"Baby boomers have built homes for themselves. They are established in their neighbourhoods and their residences have become a place of happiness for family and friends," says Phil Soper, CEO of Royal LePage Real Estate. "It's their chil-

dren that are seeking to create a similar atmosphere of their own, even though new impediments exist for this younger generation."

While generation Y is more likely to rent their primary residence at this stage in their lives, they do not see this as a desirable long-term solution. An overwhelming 85.7 per cent disagreed with the statement that "I do not desire to own a property in my lifetime as renting is preferable to me."

The survey also shows that Canadians remain confident in the sturdiness of the real estate market. Trust in the value of real estate remains very high amongst Canadians young and old. The majority of respondents from both groups stated that they see real estate as a sound investment, including 80.3 per cent of generation Y and 88.7 per cent of baby boomers. Only approximately one-in-10 (8.5 per cent and 12.8 per cent, respectively) from either group did not believe that real estate was a sound investment. — *Metro News Services*

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"It is important for us to help people find the perfect home for their budget and their



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lifestyle," says Nicholas Carels, spokesperson for Qualico Multi-family.

This area boasts convenient access to the Anthony Henday and shopping at South Edmonton Commons.

"You are surrounded by the best and the newest services when you choose Crossroads of Rutherford," Carels says. "This is one of the choice locations in Edmonton, a place where you will want to call home."

Buyers in this community will be pleased to know that construction has already begun on these wonderful suites.

For more about Crossroads of Rutherford, visit [crossroadsrutherford.com](http://crossroadsrutherford.com).





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# PREPARED FOR SPRING FEVER

## COMFREE NETWORK SHARES ITS REAL ESTATE ADVICE

Every spring, Edmontonians see some familiar rituals — pothole repair crews flooding the streets, wait staff hustling around dusted-off patios, golfers flocking to courses with snow still licking the fairways.

You can add another ritual to that list — homebuyers and sellers caught up in real estate spring fever.

It's not just a myth perpetuated by hopeful sellers and an industry hungry for deals. Hard numbers and year-after-year trends show that real estate spring fever is an actual phenomenon, says Scott Bollinger, broker for Commonsense Network, part of ComFree.

"Edmonton numbers and graphs over the past three years — even if you went back further than that — show listings and sales starting to rise steadily in January and peaking in May, every year," Bollinger says.

"There's a momentum shift every spring. More homes come on line, more buyers come into the market. Plain and simple, it gets busy."

Bollinger says Commonsense Network is ready for the surge. With professional marketing tools, pricing support, expert guidance, and the greatest visibility in the Canadian real estate industry, the brokerage gives regular Albertans the confidence to sell their homes without paying commission.

And in the coming weeks, the brokerage will introduce a new buyer's service to help homebuyers navigate the complex world of real estate.

Bollinger says the program will link buyers to showings, help them evaluate home values and submit offers to purchase, educate them on the legal aspects of real estate transactions, and guide them through necessary steps like condition removals and closing.

"The ComFree Network has helped more than 130,000 Canadians sell their homes without paying commissions," Bollinger says.

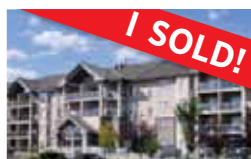
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It was 1973. But it wasn't oil, Oilers

or Eskimos on Claude Lavoie's mind that mild New Year's Day as he opened the doors to his new 500-square-foot vacuum store: Jiffy Vacuum Sales and Service was open for business.

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"Paint has such transformative power," she says. "With a bit of planning and some elbow grease it can completely update a room's look without breaking the bank. You might not change your paint colour every season, but if you're influenced by spring,

look at fresh, soft colours like Hidden Cove or Sweet Cream. Both are easily accented by fashion forward pastels like Sagebrush or Lime Sherbet."

Who doesn't love beautiful art for the walls? Big, beautiful pieces can make a huge impact, but can also be costly. A great alternative is to hang a mirror with a stylish frame. A mirror can fill the wall with a decorative accent while reflecting light and opening up the space. It's a designer trick that's been used for years and doesn't cost a fortune.

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Abbey Lane has built its stellar reputation through premium quality construction, modern architecture and prices that accommodate a diverse range of client budgets.

The Edmonton-based condominium and land development company was

established by Bruno Mastropimiano in 1985. Over the years, Abbey Lane Homes has developed expertise in all phases of condominium and land development, and has created many of the greater Edmonton area's finest communities, as well as upscale subdivisions developed by its land development company, Royal West Property Corp.

Abbey Lane continues its tradition of excellence through current projects such as the West Coast-inspired VIP Californian Parkland. This premium community includes amenities such as a fitness studio,

underground parking, gaming and party rooms and a location conveniently close to Anthony Henday Drive. The Grange Market, with its supermarket, deli, wine store, services and restaurants, is a short stroll away.

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# THE ABCs OF WINDOW TREATMENTS

Planning a window treatment that works well, harmonizes with its surroundings and is easy to operate can be quite a challenge. That is until you speak to someone who really knows the ins and outs and the ups and downs of window shades and draperies.

Mary Dobson is a spokesperson for Levolor Window Fashions in Canada, and makes things as simple as ABC — and

don't forget about D.

"Think 'A' for action," Dobson says. "What do we want this window treatment to do for us, in this room?"

We cover our windows to control natural light and for privacy. Also, we might want to reduce heat gain in summer and heat loss in winter.

"B' is for balance between the look

and style of the window treatment and the room where it is situated," Dobson says.

A window treatment can be traditional, contemporary, country, or any other style you feel comfortable with. Use colours, textures and hardware to make the windows part of the room.

"C" is for choice, Dobson says.

"There are many different kinds of

shades and blinds. Get to know them all and decide which will work best for you and your family."

And last comes "D." Neglect D and you will be sorry because it stands for dimensions. "Measure everything," Dobson says. "Measure it once, twice and even a third time."

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## MORE THAN JUST WINDOW DRESSING

Mary Dobson, Levolor spokesperson in Canada, explains some considerations to keep in mind when creating a successful window treatment:

**1** Think about practical things first. What do you and your family expect from the new window treatment? Are you concerned with privacy, light control, heat loss or gain, access to the patio, or safety?

**2** You don't need to be afraid to mix patterns, textures and colours. Remember, it takes three things — pattern, texture and colour — to make a room interesting.

**3** Care about how your home looks to passersby. Be consistent, and remember Dobson's rule — colour on the inside, white facing the road.

**4** Fullness is important when hanging drapery. Double fullness is right for a casual look, triple fullness gives a more formal, sophisticated look.

**5** Never leave cords hanging from your blinds in rooms where there are children and pets. There are many ways to prevent accidents from happening, from a cordless remote control to a simple cleat to wind the cord around.

**6** Take care of the details. For example, research available sources of hardware and finials that will reinforce the style you are creating.

**7** Make sure your blinds are large enough to overlap the window casing all around. To increase energy efficiency and privacy, and for maximum darkness, many blinds can be equipped with a blackout lining.

— News Canada



# Bringing a tiny space into the future

**The tiny five-by-eight foot kitchen in my 1970's condo is in desperate need of an update, but the space is tiny! I'm hoping you can offer some suggestions to make it look modern and larger.**

**-Sylvia G, via email**



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The redeeming feature of your kitchen is the large window that lets in lots of light, so no matter how small your kitchen area might be it will never look dark.

Here are a few design tips and products that will help modernize your kitchen.

Keep the major elements, such as your stove, fridge and sink in the same areas and consider replacing/upgrading what you have now. That way you will not have to worry about complicated electrical or plumbing issues. I would flip the fridge and stove (simple electrical changes); that way, when you look into the kitchen the stove will offer you more visual depth into the room, making it look larger.

## Appliances

Choose a 24-inch-wide fridge with a reflective stainless finish. The narrow fridges today come much taller and are counter depth for a fitted look. I would suggest replacing the stove with a two-burner counter cook top, then build in a micro-convection oven below. This will free up more counter space.

## Cupboards

Since your kitchen is small but bright, I suggest a glossy door in a light colour. The glossy finish will reflect light and keep the small area bright. Consider adding a set of glass-fronted cabinet doors on the cupboards above the sink to add a break in the long row of cabinets and allow an attractive area for display.

## Countertops

A stone countertop will give you two things: a high-end look for your kitchen and durability. I suggest choosing a countertop colour that blends the colours of your fridge/stove together. For instance, if you choose black appliances then choose a darker countertop. For stainless appliances, go for medium greyish tones and

for white appliances go with light counters.

## Backsplash and flooring

Your backsplash should marry your upper and lower cabinets together with its tone/colour. For instance, if you have white cabinetry then choose a white backsplash. For a room-expanding effect consider a mirrored backsplash. I like the grey/smoke mirror for a dramatic effect. This tends to look best when incorporating darker cupboards and counters into a kitchen. Your flooring should be a durable, non-gloss tile in a colour/tone that matches the new appliances you choose.

## Lighting

Investing in under-cupboard lighting will add drama at night and allow you to use the kitchen without turning on the bright overhead light. Add a low-profile track light in a modern look to keep the overhead light fixture tight to the ceiling, this will make your ceilings appear taller.

## Paint colour

If you want to make the room look large, make sure the gloss and paint on the walls match the cabinets. If you're dealing with a lighter tone, then paint the ceiling the same colour for consistency.



**A tall, slim fridge with a stainless look can give a modern style even when only 24 inches wide. LG.COM**



**A white/grey fleck quartz counter adds a touch of luxury and durability. CAMBRIACANADA.COM**



**A small cooktop frees up counter space in a tiny kitchen. GEAPPLIANCES.CA**



**White glossy cabinetry helps to reflect light and keep a kitchen modern in its look. IKEA.COM**



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San Jose Sharks winger Martin Havlat, left, sends Edmonton Oiler Taylor Hall crashing to the ice at Rexall Place on Wednesday night. The Sharks won 4-3 in a shootout. JASON FRANSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Oilers fall against Sharks

**NHL.** San Jose erases two-goal deficit to win in a shootout

Dan Boyle scored the shootout winner as the San Jose Sharks overcame a two-goal deficit in the third period to snap a two-game losing skid with a 4-3 victory over the Edmonton Oilers on Wednesday.

Logan Couture had a pair of goals and Tommy Wingels had the other marker in regulation for the Sharks (13-10-6), who have now won just twice

in their past eight games.

Sam Gagner, Shawn Horcoff and Ryan Jones replied for the Oilers (11-11-7), who have captured eight points in their past five games.

The Oilers struck first midway through the first period on the power play as Nail Yakupov fed the puck across the ice to Gagner, who had time to tee up a slapshot from the top of the circle that beat Sharks starter Antti Niemi glove-side. It was Gagner's 12th goal of the season.

San Jose tied up the game with just under six minutes to play in the opening frame as

On Wednesday

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Sharks

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Oilers

the puck popped loose from under goaltender Devan Dubnyk in a scramble in front and Couture was there to hammer it in on the doorstep.

Edmonton went up 2-1 with eight minutes left to play in the second period. Nick

Schultz picked up a pass as he stepped on to the ice from the penalty box and raced in on a 2-on-1 before feeding it across to a streaking Horcoff, who slapped it in at the side of the net.

The Oilers went up 3-1 four minutes into the third period as Jones picked the pocket of defender Matt Irwin behind the San Jose net and hooked around front to send the puck through Niemi's legs.

The Sharks pulled back to within one three minutes later on the power play as they were able to send the puck out of a scrum in front of the Oiler

net to Couture, who sent his second of the game and 14th of the season through traffic and past Dubnyk.

San Jose then tied the game with 10:45 remaining in the third as a puck found Wingels, who sent a quick wrist shot into the net to make it 3-3 and eventually send the game to extra time.

Both teams are off until Saturday when Edmonton closes out a four-game homestand against St. Louis and the Sharks travel to Minnesota for the fourth game of a five-game road trip.

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Gonzaga's Kelly Olynyk (13) reacts with his team during the West Coast Conference tournament championship, March 11. This year's March Madness tournament is packed with talented Canadians like Olynyk. JULIE JACOBSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# NCAA mad for top Canadian talent

## March Madness.

21 of nation's 33 players have won regular-season awards

Canada Basketball is running its own March Madness fantasy pool, with one unique rule: Entrants must name five Canadian players to their teams.

There would have been slim pickings in years past. But there's not just an abundance of Canadian players this year; there's a wealth of star players.

From Gonzaga's Kelly Olynyk and Kevin Pangos to UNLV's Anthony Bennett and Nik Stauskas of the Michigan

## Lottery-pick prospect

Anthony Bennett, from Brampton, Ont., collected Mountain West Conference freshman of the year in leading UNLV, and is a projected top-five NBA draft pick.

Wolverines, Canadians have taken the NCAA by storm, providing one of the most intriguing storylines of the tournament.

"When you can turn on (a game) almost any night during the season and see a Canadian playing, it clearly is a new dimension that we've entered here," said Rowan Barrett, executive vice-president of Canada's men's program.

Sports Illustrated dedicated six pages of its March Madness issue to players from north of the border under the headline Canada's Got Talent.

There are 27 Canadian men playing in March Madness and six women.

Olynyk, a seven-foot forward from Kamloops, B.C., and Pangos, a point guard from Holland Landing, Ont., have landed in the spotlight this season in leading Gonzaga (31-2) to one of the NCAA tournament's four top seeds.

Olynyk's breakout season earned him the West Coast Conference player of the year. The Canadian, who averaged 17.7 points and 7.0 rebounds a game, is also up for the John R. Wooden Award as the NCAA's top player. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## Three upset contenders to watch

Who will put on this year's slipper and make a run at the Final Four?

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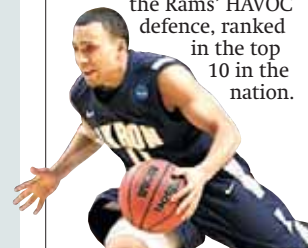


## Belmont

The Bruins (11-seed, West) play a defensively-focused team in Arizona in the first round. However, the Wildcats have dreadful defence against the long ball — and Belmont shoots almost 40 per cent from beyond the arc, not to mention nearly 50 per cent from the field. Arizona has lost three of its last six, while Belmont is on a six-game winning streak.

## Akron

Owners of a 19-game winning streak this year, the 12-seeded Zips could upset a former Cinderella in five-seed Virginia Commonwealth. However, the task is more daunting than it might have been before the Zips lost guard Alex Abreu for the season to injury. The team will rely heavily on future NBAer and seven-footer Zeke Marshall to escape the Rams' HAVOC defence, ranked in the top 10 in the nation.



## Bucknell

The Bison (11-seed, East) aren't prone to turnovers and are a tall, strong team that rebounds well. Centre Mike Muscala averaged 19 points, 11.2 rebounds, 2.4 blocks and 2.4 assists this season for the Patriot League conference champs. If he dominates like he has all year against a smaller Butler team, Bucknell has the ingredients to make a run for the Sweet Sixteen.

## NCAA

## 'Cats left licking their wounds

Without even trying, Louisville is adding to Kentucky's misery.

While the defending national champions Wildcats are left to clean out their lockers after being stunned

in the first round of the NIT the Cardinals rolled into Rupp Arena on Wednesday for the NCAA tournament.

As the overall No. 1 seed, no less.

"You know how last year they said they hoped we'd win after they lost? UK fans don't hope they win," Kentucky fan Roby Thompson said, glumly, as he watched the Cardinals

practice. "I don't even hope they have a good practice today, to tell you the truth."

A year after the bitter Louisville-Kentucky rivalry took centre stage at the Final Four, the Cardinals begin their quest for a title in enemy territory Thursday. They face North Carolina A&T in the Midwest Region.

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Cleveland Cavalier Wayne Ellington, right, fouls LeBron James of the Miami Heat on Wednesday night in Cleveland. The foul didn't slow down James, who recorded a triple-double in a Heat win. TONY DEJAK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Heat push winning streak to 24 games in close call vs. Cavs

**NBA.** James' triple-double helps Miami match biggest comeback of the season

LeBron James scored 25 points as the Miami Heat overcame a 27-point deficit in the third quarter and won their 24th straight game, 98-95, over the shorthanded Cleveland Cavaliers on Wednesday night to extend the second-longest winning streak in NBA history.

The Heat are within nine games of matching the record of 33 consecutive wins held by the 1971-72 Los Angeles Lakers.

James and his teammates have insisted the record isn't one of their goals, and for more than 30 minutes the defending champions seemed

disinterested and on the verge of losing for the first time since Feb. 1. Miami trailed 67-40 with 7:44 left in the third quarter.

But behind the irrepressible James, who added 12 rebounds and 10 assists, the Heat inched closer to history by matching the biggest comeback in the NBA this season, according to STATS.

James had 14 points in the fourth as Miami completed its second straight comeback. The Heat rallied from 17 down — 13 in the fourth quarter — to beat Boston 105-103 Monday night and snap a tie with the 2007-08 Houston Rockets for the second-longest winning streak in NBA history.

The Cavs were missing all-star guard Kyrie Irving, Dion Waiters and Anderson Varejao — their three top scorers.

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## Return of the king

LeBron James wasn't sure what kind of reaction he would get from Cleveland's fans. However, he was confident it would be nothing like his first visit there after he signed with the Heat in 2010.

- "It can't get no worse than Year One, Dec. 2, 2010," he said, referring to the night Quicken Loans Arena was transformed into a cauldron of hate — directed at him. "It can't get no worse than that, so I'll be all right."
- James has moved on and he believes Cleveland fans aren't nearly as mad at him as they once were.

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## NBA

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	53	14	.791	—
Indiana	42	26	.618	11½
New York	40	26	.606	12½
Brooklyn	40	28	.588	13½
Atlanta	38	30	.559	15½
Chicago	36	30	.545	16½
Boston	36	31	.537	17
Milwaukee	34	33	.507	19
Philadelphia	26	40	.394	26½
Toronto	26	42	.382	27½
Washington	23	43	.348	29½
Detroit	23	46	.333	31
Cleveland	22	46	.324	31½
Orlando	18	51	.261	36
Charlotte	16	52	.235	37½

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	52	16	.765	—
Oklahoma City	50	19	.725	2½
Memphis	46	21	.687	5½
L.A. Clippers	46	22	.676	6
Denver	47	22	.681	5½
Golden State	39	31	.557	14
Houston	37	31	.544	15
L.A. Lakers	36	33	.522	16½
Utah	34	34	.500	18
Dallas	32	36	.471	20
Portland	31	36	.463	20½
Minnesota	23	42	.354	27½
Sacramento	24	44	.353	28
Phoenix	23	45	.338	29
New Orleans	23	46	.333	29½

Note: division leaders ranked in top three positions regardless of winning percentage.

**WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS**  
Miami 98 Cleveland 95  
Charlotte 107 Toronto 101  
New York 106 Orlando 94  
Atlanta 98 Milwaukee 90  
Brooklyn 113 Dallas 96  
New Orleans 87 Boston 86  
Houston 100 Utah 93  
Memphis 90 Oklahoma City 89 (OT)  
San Antonio 104 Golden State 93  
Washington at Phoenix  
Philadelphia at L.A. Clippers

**TUESDAY'S RESULTS**  
Indiana 95 Orlando 73  
Milwaukee 102 Portland 95  
Denver 114 Oklahoma City 104  
Sacramento 116 L.A. Clippers 101  
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Portland at Chicago, 8 p.m.  
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Minnesota at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

## NHL

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

#### ATLANTIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Pittsburgh	31	23	8	0	110	81	46
NY Rangers	29	15	12	2	70	70	32
New Jersey	30	13	11	6	74	84	32
NY Islanders	29	13	13	3	86	96	29
Philadelphia	30	13	16	1	81	92	27

#### NORTHEAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Montreal	29	19	5	5	92	73	43
Boston	28	19	6	3	82	60	41
Ottawa	30	16	8	6	77	65	38
Toronto	30	16	12	2	90	85	34
Buffalo	30	11	15	4	79	95	26

#### SOUTHEAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Winnipeg	30	16	12	2	80	86	34
Carolina	29	15	12	2	84	82	32
Tampa Bay	30	13	16	1	98	90	27
Washington	29	12	16	1	79	87	25
Florida	30	8	16	6	74	110	22

Note: A team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OL (other loss) column.

#### WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

Toronto 4 Tampa Bay 2  
Minnesota 4 Detroit 2  
Colorado 4 Dallas 3  
San Jose at Edmonton  
Chicago at Anaheim

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NY Rangers 3 New Jersey 2  
Florida 4 Carolina 1  
Columbus 4 Nashville 3  
Pittsburgh 2 Washington 1  
Buffalo 3 Montreal 2 (OT)  
Winnipeg 3 Boston 1  
Vancouver 3 St. Louis 2  
Los Angeles 3 Phoenix 2

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Florida at NY Rangers, 7 p.m.  
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Boston at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.  
Calgary at Nashville, 8 p.m.  
Washington at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.  
Vancouver at Phoenix, 10 p.m.  
Dallas at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

#### CENTRAL DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Chicago	29	24	2	3	100	62	51
St. Louis	29	16	11	2	87	83	34
Detroit	30	14	11	5	80	79	33
Columbus	30	12	12	6	68	79	30
Nashville	30	11	13	6	70	81	28

#### NORTHWEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Minnesota	29	17	10	2	77	71	36
Vancouver	29	14	9	6	81	82	34
Edmonton	28	11	11	6	69	81	28
Calgary	27	11	12	4	78	91	26
Colorado	29	11	14	4	75	92	26

#### PACIFIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Anaheim	28	21	3	4	95	69	46
Los Angeles	29	17	10	2	88	73	36
San Jose	28	12	10	6	67	74	30
Phoenix	30	13	13	4	79	85	30
Dallas	29	13	13	3	76	88	29

#### MAPLE LEAFS 4, LIGHTNING 2

##### First Period

1. Toronto, Lupul 3 (Kadri, Gunnarsson) 6:56  
**Penalties** — Killorn TBL (tripping) 13:14,  
Lupul Tor (tripping) 13:39.

##### Second Period

2. Toronto, Phaneuf 5 (Gunnarsson, Kadri) 0:52  
3. Toronto, Bozak 8 (Kessel, Fraser) 6:53  
4. Toronto, Kulemin 4 (Kadri, Lupul) 7:22  
**Penalties** — Fraser Tor (fighting) 0:29,  
Crombeen TBL (fighting) 0:29, Kadri Tor  
(interference) 8:09, Fraser Tor (roughing)  
10:05, Conacher TBL (roughing) 10:05.

##### Third Period

5. Tampa Bay, Gudas 1 (Labrie, Crombeen) 7:44  
6. Tampa Bay, Conacher 8 (Johnson, St-Louis) 17:02  
**Penalties** — Lupul Tor (illegal check to head  
minor) 0:45, Gunnarsson Tor (holding) 5:07,  
Purcell TBL (hooking) 10:53.

##### Shots on goal:

Tampa Bay 6 11 11 — 28  
Toronto 8 10 8 — 26

**Goal** — Tampa Bay: Garon (L, 3-8-0, start,  
7:44 third, 18-15), Lindback (6:53 of second,  
8-7); Toronto: Reimer (W, 10-4-2).

**Power plays (goals-chances)** — Tampa Bay:  
0-4; Toronto: 0-2.  
**Attendance** — 19,433 at Toronto.



# Joey Bats not crazy about being held out of WBC

**Baseball.** Bautista happy for country, but disappointed he wasn't allowed to play by Jays

Watching his countrymen win the World Baseball Classic was bittersweet for Blue Jays slugger Jose Bautista, who was at once happy to see the Dominican Republic crowned kings of the baseball world and disappointed he couldn't be there to share the victory.

"Obviously it's a great moment for our country and for all the guys that were out there representing their own teams and our country," Bautista said Wednesday. "It was a great moment to experience. It's just too bad that I had to enjoy it on TV and not in person."

The Dominican Republic defeated Puerto Rico 3-0 Tuesday in San Francisco to win the quadrennial competition.

Bautista had hoped to play in the tournament, but was refused by Jays GM Alex Anthopoulos, who wanted to keep a close eye on his all-star right-fielder as he returned from season-ending wrist surgery.

However, the Blue Jays



The Dominican Republic's Jose Reyes hoists the championship trophy after beating Puerto Rico in the World Baseball Classic final in San Francisco on Tuesday. The Dominican Republic won 3-0. BEN MARGOT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Quoted

**"I'm not happy about it because I wanted to be playing."**



Jose Bautista on being held back from playing in the WBC by the Blue Jays.

were still well-represented on the Dominican roster, with Jose Reyes and Edwin Encarnacion, plus minor leaguers Moises Sierra and Ricardo Nanita all wearing their

country's colours. Melky Cabrera and Esmil Rogers were named to preliminary rosters, but declined.

Reyes and Encarnacion combined to score the game-

winning run in the first-inning on Tuesday, with Encarnacion driving Reyes home on a double after Reyes himself led-off the inning with a two-base hit. Reyes added a triple later in the game.

By the sounds of it, Bautista was desperate to join them. "I wanted to play, that's not in question. I attempted on multiple occasions to get permission from the club and unfortunately it didn't happen."

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## Racism. Czech fans get 1-year ban for racial taunts

A court in the Czech Republic has banned eight fans from a stadium for one year for racially abusing Philadelphia Flyers winger Wayne Simmonds in October when he was playing there during the NHL lockout.

Judge Petr Novak at the court in the northern city of Chomutov called Wednesday's verdict "sufficient."

Simmonds, who is black, was the target of racist chants while playing for Liberec White Tigers at the Chomutov Pirates on Oct. 28 in the Czech league.

The incident was not the first time Simmonds had been subjected to abuse by fans. Last year, a banana was thrown at Simmonds from the stands during an NHL pre-season game in London.

Christopher Moorhouse was fined \$200 after pleading guilty to engaging in a prohibited activity.

The Czech Republic ice hockey federation has already fined the Pirates \$1,500 for the chants. The Chomutov club also apologized to Simmonds.

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Philadelphia Flyers forward Wayne Simmonds GETTY IMAGES

## O's fly past Jays

Nolan Reimould hit two of the Baltimore Orioles' five solo home runs in a 6-5 win over the Blue Jays on Wednesday.

- Emilio Bonifacio, who had

three hits, had a two-run homer for Toronto. Jeremy Jeffress started for the Blue Jays and allowed the first three home runs in two innings.

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## NHL

### Players' union to get views on visors

The National Hockey League Players' Association plans to canvass its membership on visors.

Mathieu Schneider, a special assistant to NHLPA executive director Donald Fehr, said some 72 to 73 per cent of NHL players currently wear shields.

"By the sheer numbers of players wearing them, you're seeing a big change in visors," said Schneider.

"I'm certainly an advocate — and a bit of a hypocrite myself because I played my entire career without one. But the game's extremely fast. Guys come into the league now having had to wear a visor before. We're definitely going to look at talking to the guys about grandfathering them in."

That might involve polling the players on the issue. The last time they did that, in 2009, players were "heavily" against grandfathering in visors, he said.

Colin Campbell, the NHL's vice-president of hockey operations, said the GMs are in favour of grandfathering in visors, making them mandatory for players entering the league.

"They're not going to ask players who don't have visors on how to wear visors," he said.  
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## NHL

### Wild dust Wings to take over lead in Northeast

Devin Setoguchi had two goals, Niklas Backstrom made 36 saves and the streaking Minnesota Wild beat the Detroit Red Wings 4-2 on Wednesday night.

Kyle Brodziak, Mikko Koivu also scored for Minnesota, which won its fourth straight. Pierre-Marc Bouchard had two assists.

Gustav Nyquist and Drew Miller scored for Detroit.

Minnesota led 1-0 after the first period despite being outshot 17-5.

Setoguchi opened the scoring 2:04 into the game when he swept in a shot from the bottom of the right circle for his 10th goal. Setoguchi's second goal of the game came on the power play with 2:45 left in the second period, putting in a rebound to give Minnesota a 4-1 lead.

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Wild forward Devin Setoguchi GETTY IMAGES FILE

## Curling

### Homan gets 2 wins at worlds

Canada's Rachel Homan posted two key victories Wednesday to significantly improve her chances of reaching the playoffs at the world women's curling championship in Riga,

Latvia.

She beat Germany's Andrea Schopp 8-5 in the morning draw and followed with a 7-4 win over Switzerland's Silvana Tirinzoni in the evening at the Volvo Sports Center. Homan improved to 6-3 and was tied with Russia in third place with one day of round-robin play left to go. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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## Horoscopes

### Aries

**March 21 - April 20**

Friends say you can do no wrong but for one reason or another you don't entirely believe them. Maybe you should reserve judgment until you feel more positive about yourself. When will that be? Any moment now.

### Taurus

**April 21 - May 21**

You live by certain standards but you cannot expect everyone else to live by them too. Sometimes, you can be a bit too judgmental. The planets warn that the person you judge today could be the one judging you tomorrow.

### Gemini

**May 22 - June 21**

Do you commit yourself to a course of action that could boost your reputation or do you play safe and leave things just as they are? You were born to take chances.

### Cancer

**June 22 - July 23**

Everything you touch will turn out just right today. But don't get carried away as the planets warn your gains could be wiped out if you push your luck too far. Know when to stop.

### Leo

**July 24 - Aug. 23**

The only pressure you will feel today is the pressure you choose to put on yourself. Whatever your problems, push them to one side and focus only on things that make you happy.

### Virgo

**Aug. 24 - Sept. 23**

You seem to be on the verge of accepting some kind of deal, and it certainly looks good. But appearances can be deceptive and the planets warn you should wait a day or two.

### Libra

**Sept. 24 - Oct. 23**

By all means, tell the truth today but expect some kind of backlash for your honesty. Other people will not be happy if you point out their failings, so ask yourself: Is it really worth opening my mouth?

### Scorpio

**Oct. 24 - Nov. 22**

Even if you are following a path you have taken before, you could fall on your face today. That does not mean you should stay home — just watch where you put your feet!

### Sagittarius

**Nov. 23 - Dec. 21**

You may be confident that a scheme of some kind cannot fail but don't expect too much of it right away. The omens are good for the long-term but in the short-term there may be one or two setbacks.

### Capricorn

**Dec. 22 - Jan. 20**

You believe in telling it as you see it, which is good. But some people can be super sensitive to criticism, so don't overdo it. Tone down your comments a bit today so you are less likely to get a negative reaction.

### Aquarius

**Jan. 21 - Feb. 19**

Some people prefer to get others to help them rather than do things for themselves and one such person is beginning to annoy you. Let them know in no uncertain terms that you will no longer indulge their laziness.

### Pisces

**Feb. 20 - March 20**

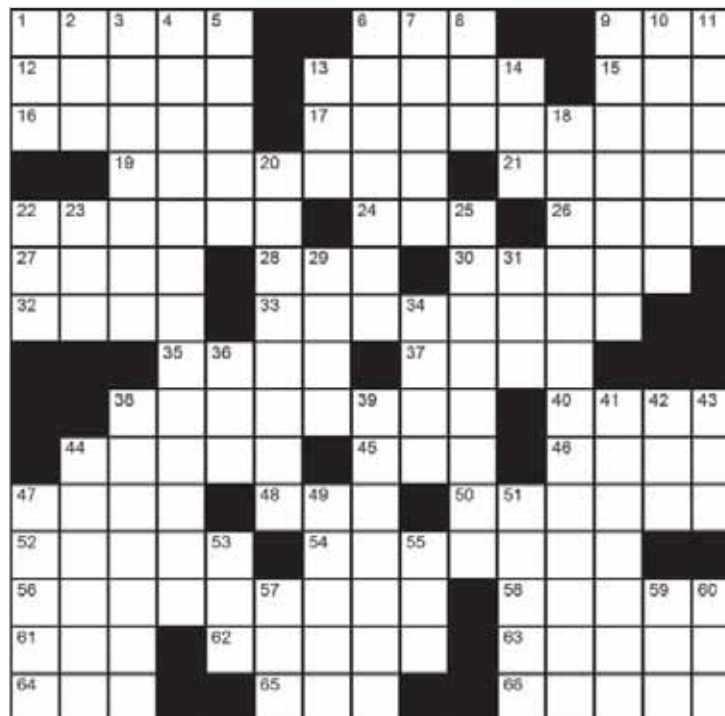
You may be tempted to ditch a project that has already been started and begin all over again but is that truly necessary? No, it's not. It will come out right.

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## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

### Across

1. Ms. Lake of TV talk
6. Inc., in England
9. Booker T.'s backup
12. Walk \_\_\_ line
13. \_\_\_ corn: 2 wds.
15. Queen's "We \_\_\_ the Champions"
16. "You can \_\_\_ horse to water..."
17. Seth Rogen flick, with The: 2 wds.
19. Connecting-stuff-to-a-PC spot, \_ \_ \_ \_
21. Wander
22. Spa treatment
24. "The Addams Family" cousin
26. 911 respondents
27. Secret \_\_. (Alias)
28. Dined
30. Roy \_\_, Robert Redford's "The Natural" (1984) role
32. Ernie's muppet friend
33. Fajita need
35. Crown getter
37. Latin hymn: "Dies \_\_\_"
38. Back together
40. Face part
44. Jacket sported by a '60s rocker
45. Ex-Bruin Bobby
46. Honeymaker's home
47. \_ \_ \_ (Edmonton sch.)
48. Chairman in The Beatles' "Revolution"
50. Spoke from the podium
52. Fishhook line
54. Beavers, whilst using



- their teeth
56. Toronto-based romance novel publisher
58. "Going to \_\_\_" by Smokey Robinson & The Miracles
61. Scot's uncle
62. Kelly Clarkson's "Since \_\_\_ Gone"
63. Camping needs

64. Riddle-me-\_\_\_
65. "Hiss!"
66. Toronto football players, to fans

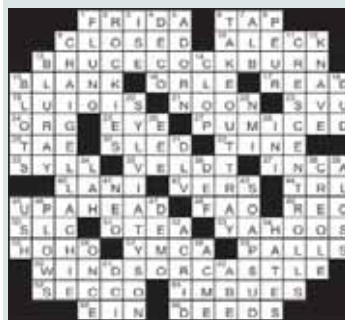
### Down

1. Singer Mr. Donner
2. 'Favour' suffix
3. The Canterbury Tales writer

4. Canuck sketch comedy troupe: The \_\_\_: 4 wds.
5. "Dancing with the Stars" judge Carrie Ann
6. Sir Wilfrid \_\_\_
7. Country singer, Travis \_\_\_
8. Cdn. currency
9. Xylophone-like instrument

10. Defrauds
11. Sevens: French
13. Inflated id
14. Bouquet delivery co.
18. "Brand New Low" band from Sault Ste. Marie: 2 wds.
20. "Doesn't Really Matter" by \_\_\_ Blonde
22. Little lie
23. 'Lemon' suffix
25. Fairly-near-the-stage area: 2 wds.
29. Ms. Spelling
31. 'Pay' suffix
34. Level
36. Italy's li'l locale
38. Sports official
39. Two-dollar coins
41. NYC's Brill Building output: 2 wds.
42. "\_\_\_ Got a Feeling" by The Beatles
43. Heath Ledger/Orlando Bloom movie, "\_\_\_ Kelly" (2003)
44. Generic grocery store brand: 2 wds.
47. One-named male vocalist
49. Chills
51. Ranch in "Giant" (1956)
53. Currency in Romania
55. Ms. Jillian
57. Some CFL players
59. Ronny & The Daytonas smash
60. Old spy gr.

## Yesterday's Crossword



## Sudoku

### How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

## Yesterday's Sudoku



## Weather

### TODAY



MAX: -3°  
MIN: -3°

### FRIDAY



MAX: -6°  
MIN: -9°

### SATURDAY



MAX: -8°  
MIN: -18°



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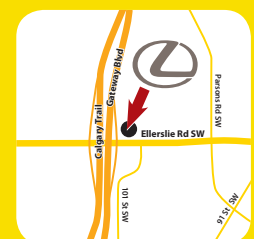
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